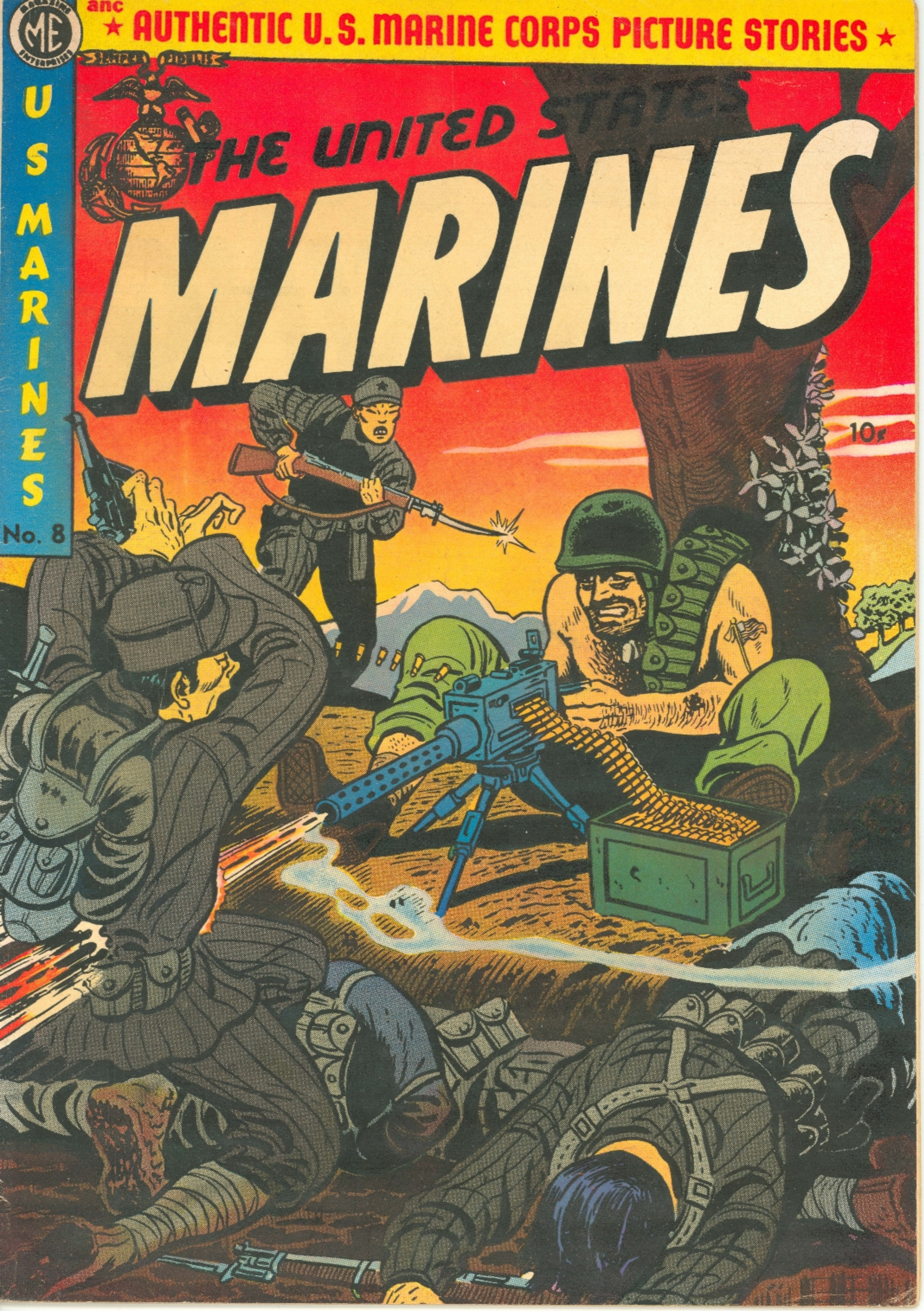
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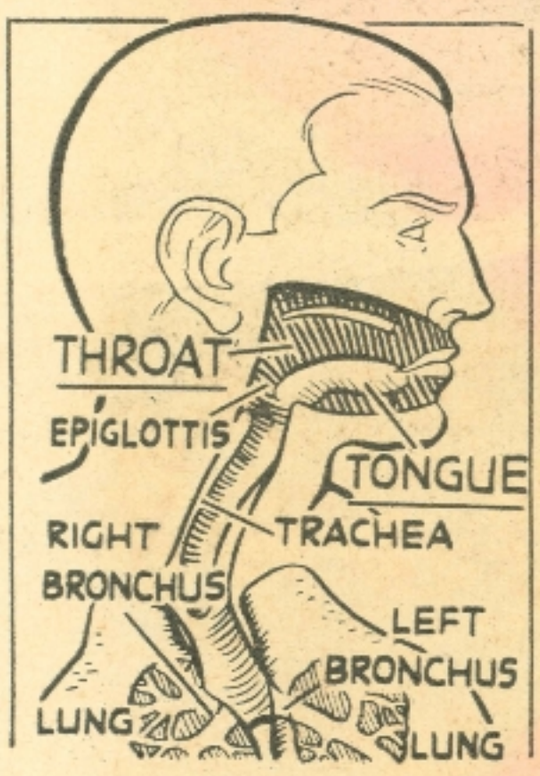

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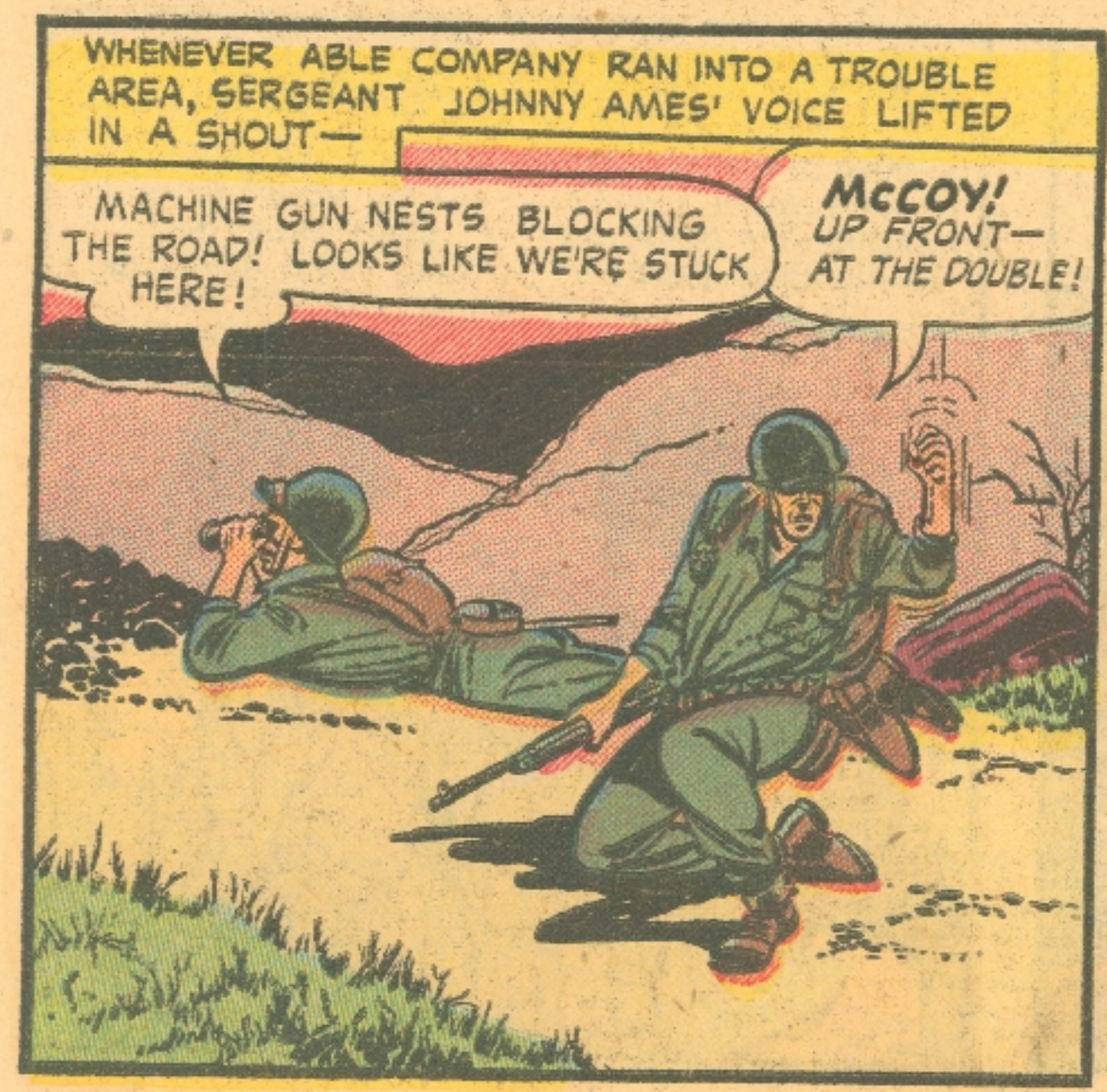
HIS NAME WAS McCOY, AND HE CAME FROM THE HEART OF THE OZARK MOUNTAINS. HE WAS A FEUDING MOUNTAINEER WITH A TASTE FOR CORN LIKKER AND A GRIM HATRED OF "REVENOOERS!" BUT HE WAS A MEMBER OF ABLE COMPANY— U.S. MARINES, 1ST DIVISION — AND HE FOUND HIMSELF GOING INTO BATTLE—

A'FEUDIN' AND A'FIGHTIN'

JUST MY LUCK— FIGHTIN' WITH A BUNCH OF REVENOOERS!

POWELL



SERGEANT, ARE YOU MAD? NOBODY CAN EMPTY THAT MACHINE GUN NEST AT THAT DISTANCE!
McCOY CAN! HE CAN SHOOT A GNAT OFF A SQUIRREL'S WHISKERS! WATCH!

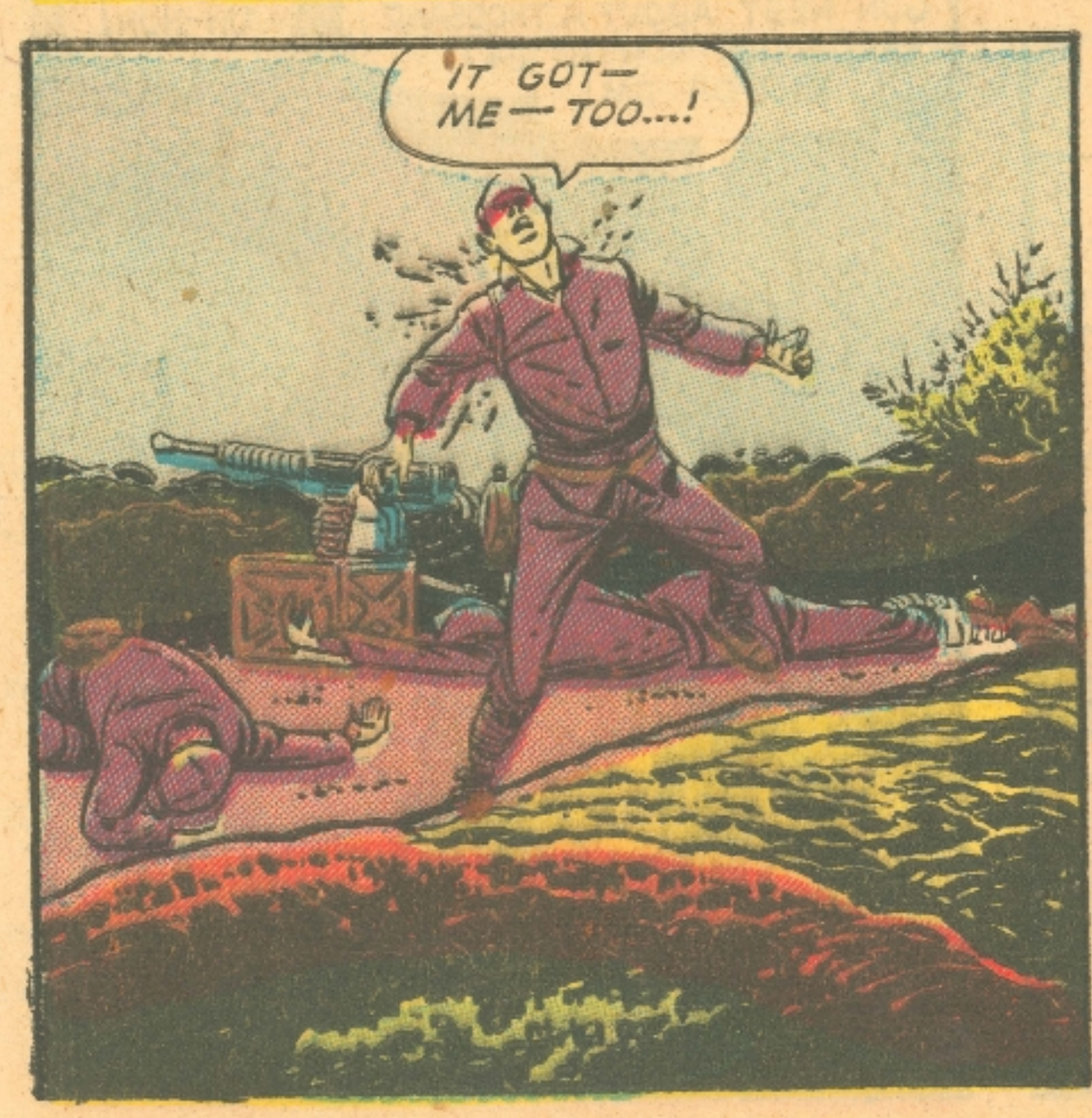
HOMER McCOY WET A FINGER AND HELD IT UP, TO GET THE DRIFT OF THE WIND...

HE CUDDLED THE STOCK OF HIS M-1 TO HIS CHEEK...

SLOWLY HIS FINGER TIGHTENED ON THE TRIGGER, GENTLY SQUEEZING...

A THOUSAND YARDS AWAY—
GNNNGGGG!
CHU PAN! WHAT HIT HIM? WE ARE A MILE FROM THE ENEMY!

UGGH!
IT IS THE WORD OF THE DEVIL! A SILENT DEATH STRIKING US DOWN!


IT GOT— ME— TOO...!

THERE WAS NO DELIGHT IN HOMER McCOY'S FACE. RATHER, IT SHOWED DISGUST AT HIMSELF...
SHAMED OF MYSELF! OUGHT TO HAVE MORE PRIDE! IMAGINE ME DOING ANYTHING LIKE THAT!
IT'S A MIRACLE. I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH SHOOTING! AND—HE'S ASHAMED OF IT!

OH, IT ISN'T THE *SHOOTING* McCOY'S ASHAMED OF! HE COMES FROM THE OZARKS!
I DON'T UNDER-STAND!

"McCOY HEARD THERE WAS A WAR ON, BACK IN THE HILLS WHERE HE LIVES. HE CAME DOWN TO JOIN UP...!"
ANY FIGHTIN' GOIN' ON, A McCOY'S GOT TO BE IN IT!
U.S. MARINES RECRUITING
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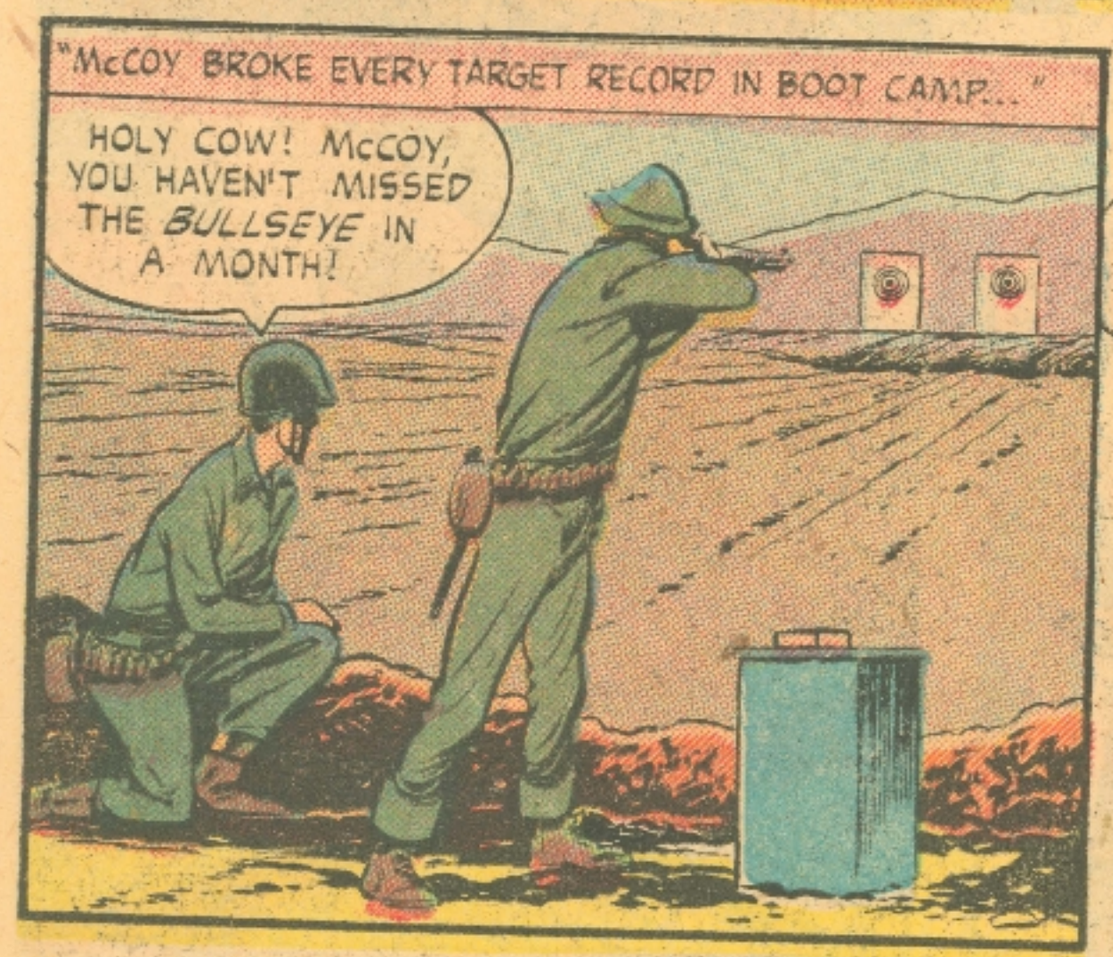

"McCOY BROKE EVERY TARGET RECORD IN BOOT CAMP..."
HOLY COW! McCOY, YOU HAVEN'T MISSED THE *BULLSEYE* IN A MONTH!

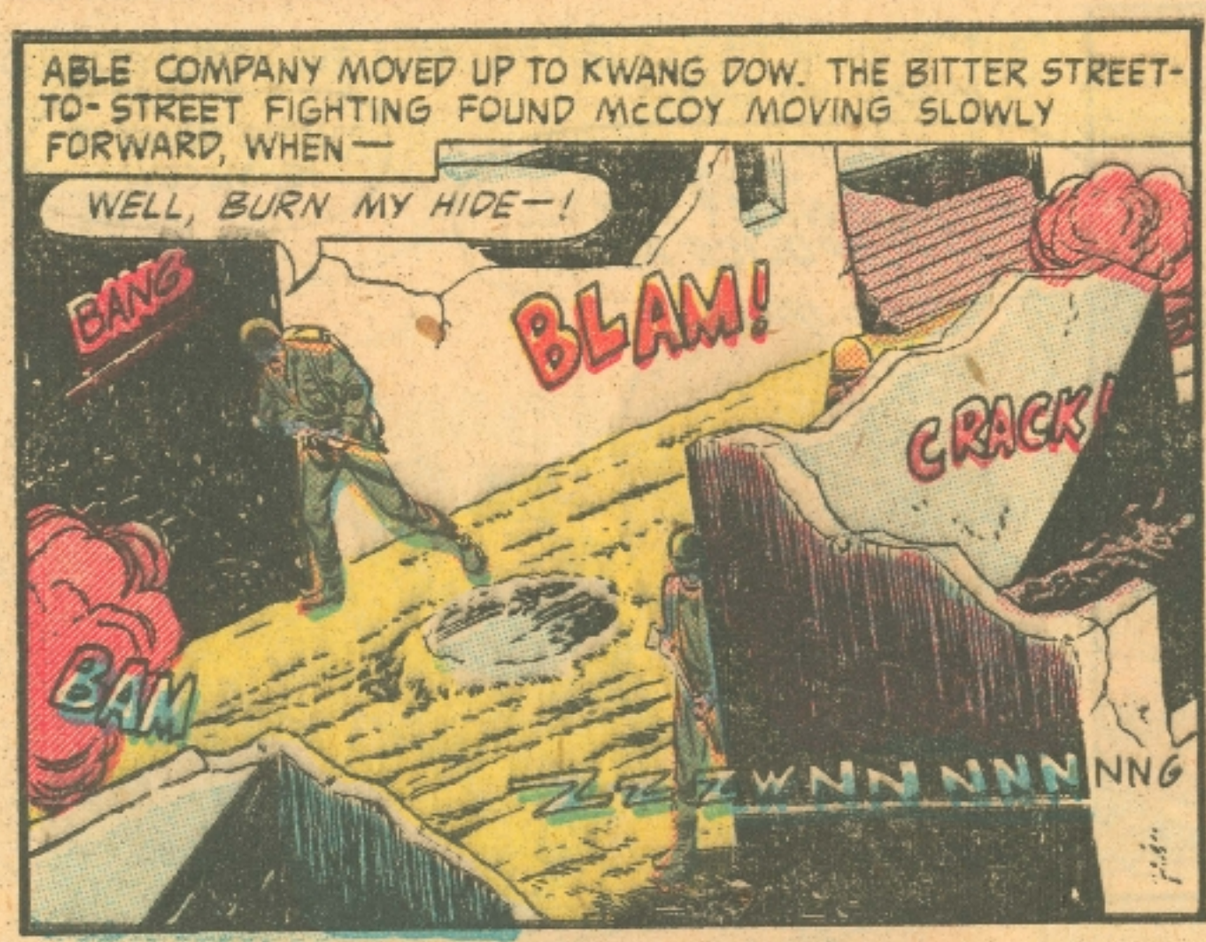
"BUT WHEN HE FINALLY GOT TO KOREA, THE WORLD CRASHED IN AROUND HIS EARS!"
YOU MEAN TO TELL ME I AIN'T IN A ***WAR?*** THAT ALL THIS IS—IS ***POLICE ACTION?***
THAT'S WHAT IT IS, McCOY!

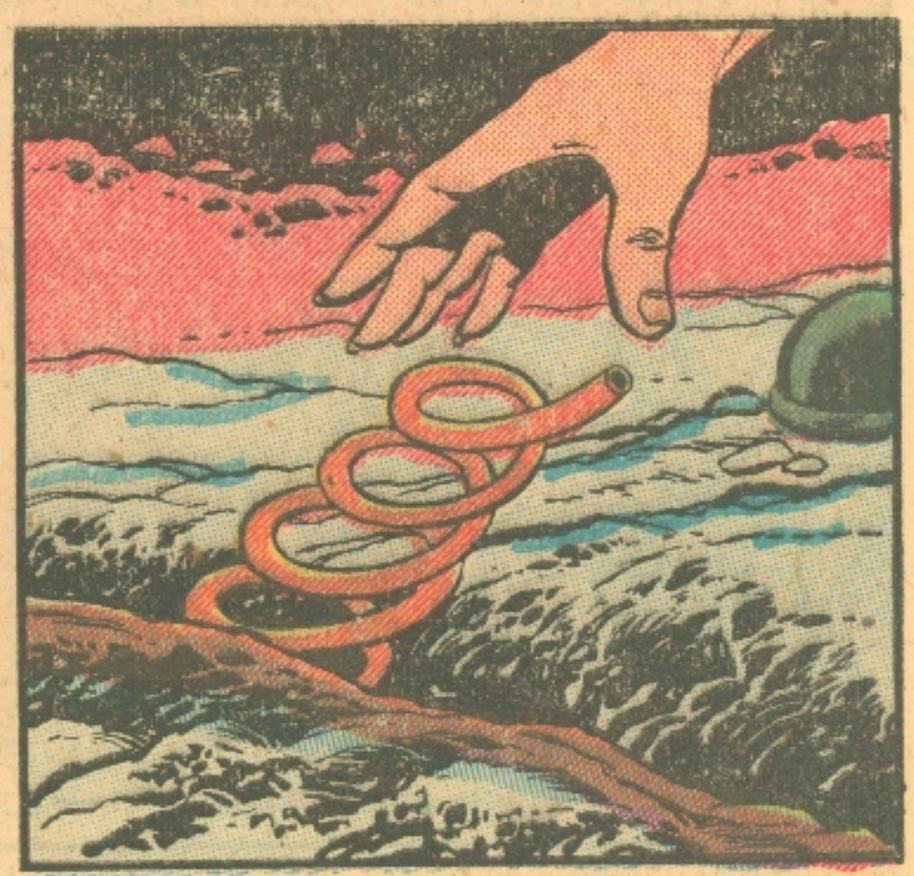
REVENOOERS! I *KNEW I'D BEEN TRICKED!* THEY GOT ME FIGHTIN' FOR THE ***POLICE!*** *REVENOOERS!* ***PAH!!!***

IF THERE WAS ONE THING HOMER McCOY HATED, IT WAS THE REVENUE AGENTS. TO FIND HIMSELF FIGHTING ON THEIR SIDE WAS THE ULTIMATE SHAME TO HIM...
GRAN'PAPPY WOULD DISOWN ME IF HE'D KNOWED HOW LOW I'VE SUNK!

McCOY KEPT PRETTY MUCH TO HIMSELF. HE WAS NEVER IN THE JOKES THE BOYS PLAYED ON EACH OTHER WHENEVER THEY COULD—

HE DID HIS JOB—BUT ONLY WHEN TOLD—
THEY'RE OVER THERE, McCOY! TWO YELLOW RATS! THEY'VE PICKED OFF THREE OF OUR BOYS!
I'LL GET 'EM!


ABLE COMPANY MOVED UP TO KWANG DOW. THE BITTER STREET-TO-STREET FIGHTING FOUND McCOY MOVING SLOWLY FORWARD, WHEN—
WELL, BURN MY HIDE—!
BANG
BLAM!
CRACK
BAM
ZZZZWNNNNNNNG

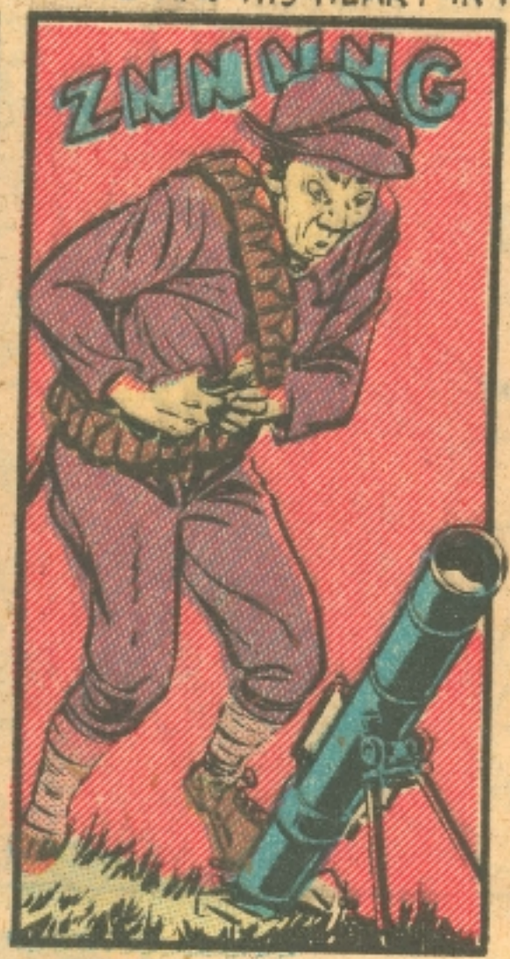


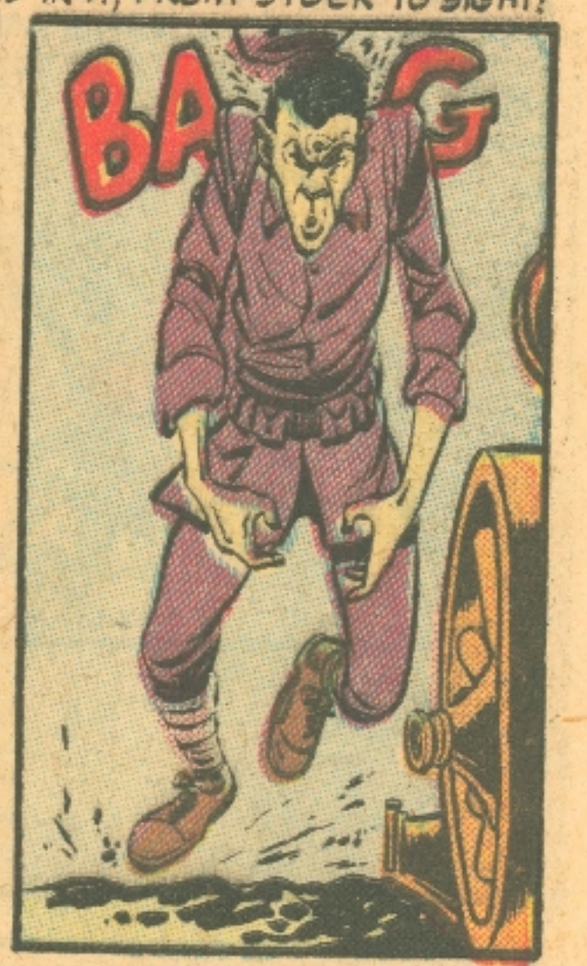
DOG MY BRITCHES IF'N THIS DOESN'T MAKE ME DOWNRIGHT *HOMESICK!* I CAN MAKE ME A LITTLE **STILL** WITH THIS!

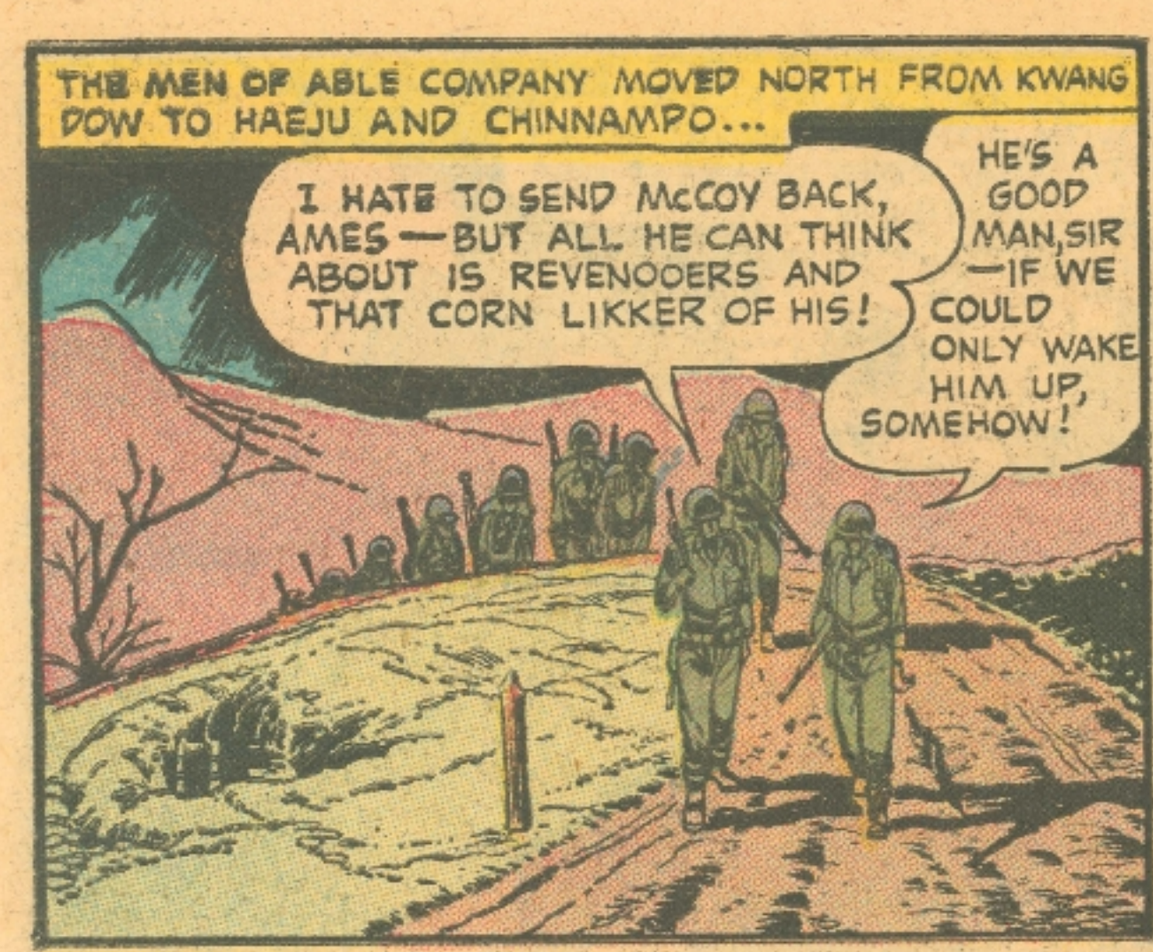
AS THE FIGHT FOR KWANG DOW RAGED AROUND HIM—
A DROP OF THIS CORN LIKKER IS GOIN' TO FEEL RIGHT GOOD GOIN' DOWN...
BLAM
BANG
CRACK

SORRY TO **BOTHER** YOU, McCOY—BUT THERE'S A WAR GOING ON! MIND GIVING US A HAND?
WAR? THEY TOLD ME THIS WAS JUST A **POLICE ACTION,** SARGE!

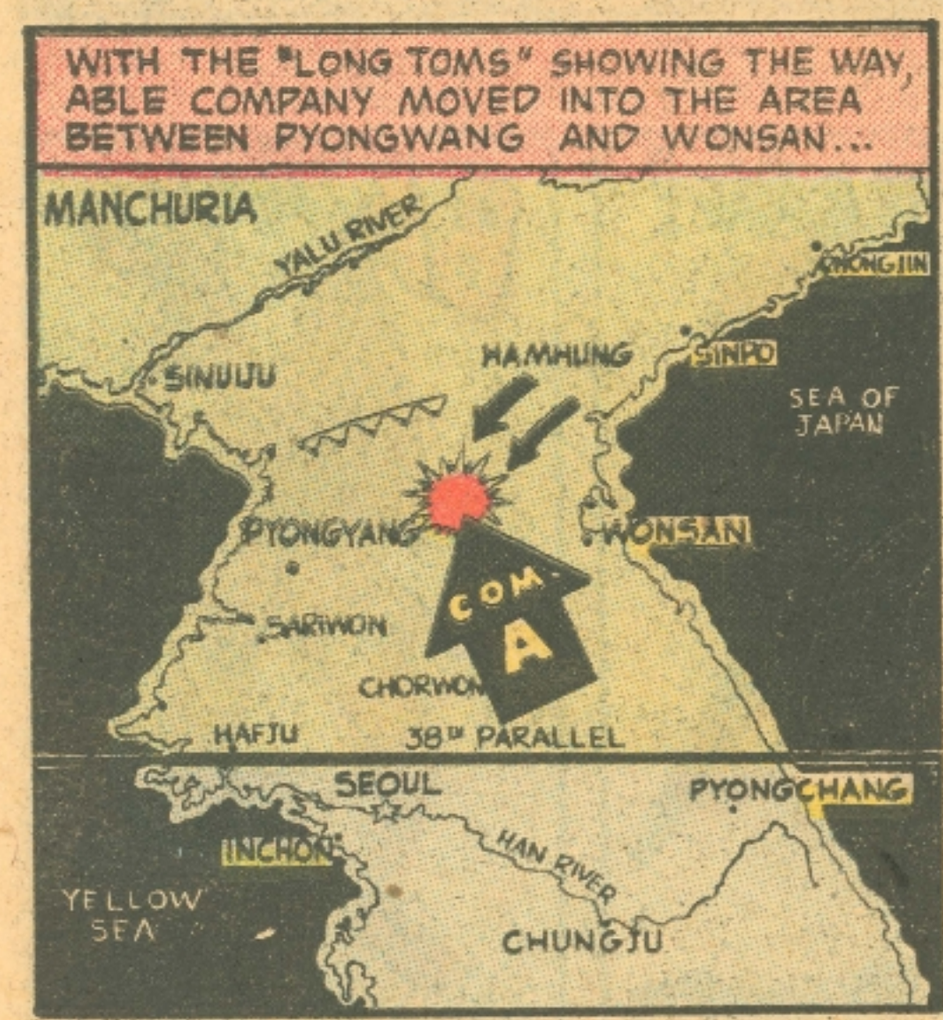
HOMER McCOY MAY NOT HAVE HAD HIS HEART IN HIS WORK, BUT HIS RIFLE WAS IN IT, FROM STOCK TO SIGHT!






THE MEN OF ABLE COMPANY MOVED NORTH FROM KWANG DOW TO HAEJU AND CHINNAMPO...
I HATE TO SEND McCOY BACK, AMES—BUT ALL HE CAN THINK ABOUT IS REVENOOERS AND THAT CORN LIKKER OF HIS!
HE'S A GOOD MAN, SIR—IF WE COULD ONLY WAKE HIM UP, SOMEHOW!

I'D EVEN GIVE THIS RED AUTOMATIC I CAPTURED—OR ANY ONE OF THE OTHER RED WAR SOUVENIRS I COLLECT—TO WAKE McCOY UP! I'VE A HUNCH WITH HIM FIGHTING WITH US—ABLE COMPANY WOULD BE THE BEST ONE IN THE CORPS!


WITH THE "LONG TOMS" SHOWING THE WAY, ABLE COMPANY MOVED INTO THE AREA BETWEEN PYONGWANG AND WONSAN...
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YALU RIVER
KWONGJIN
SINUJU
HAMHUNG
SINPO
SEA OF JAPAN
PYONGYANG
WONSAN
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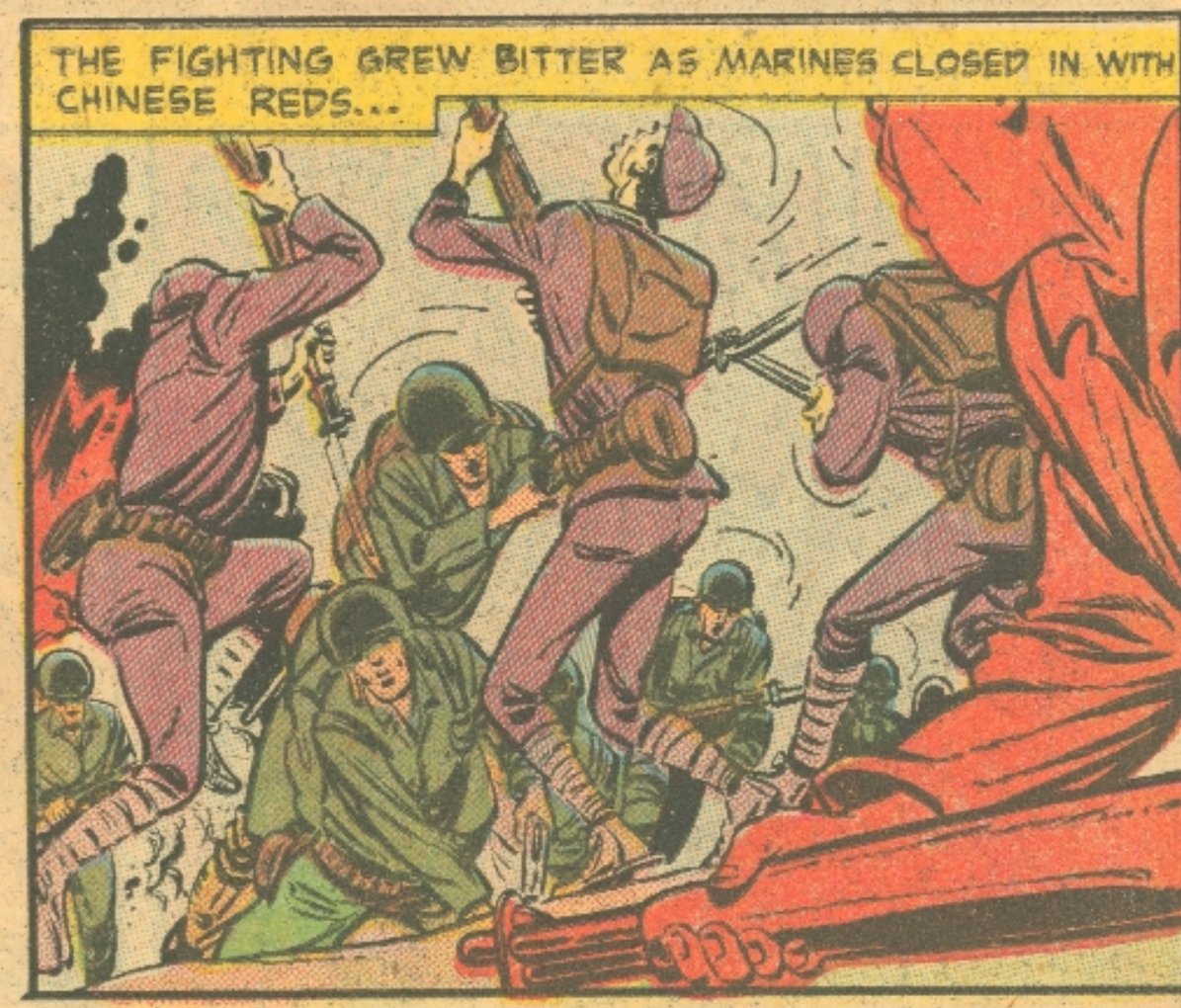

THE FIGHTING GREW BITTER AS MARINES CLOSED IN WITH CHINESE REDS...

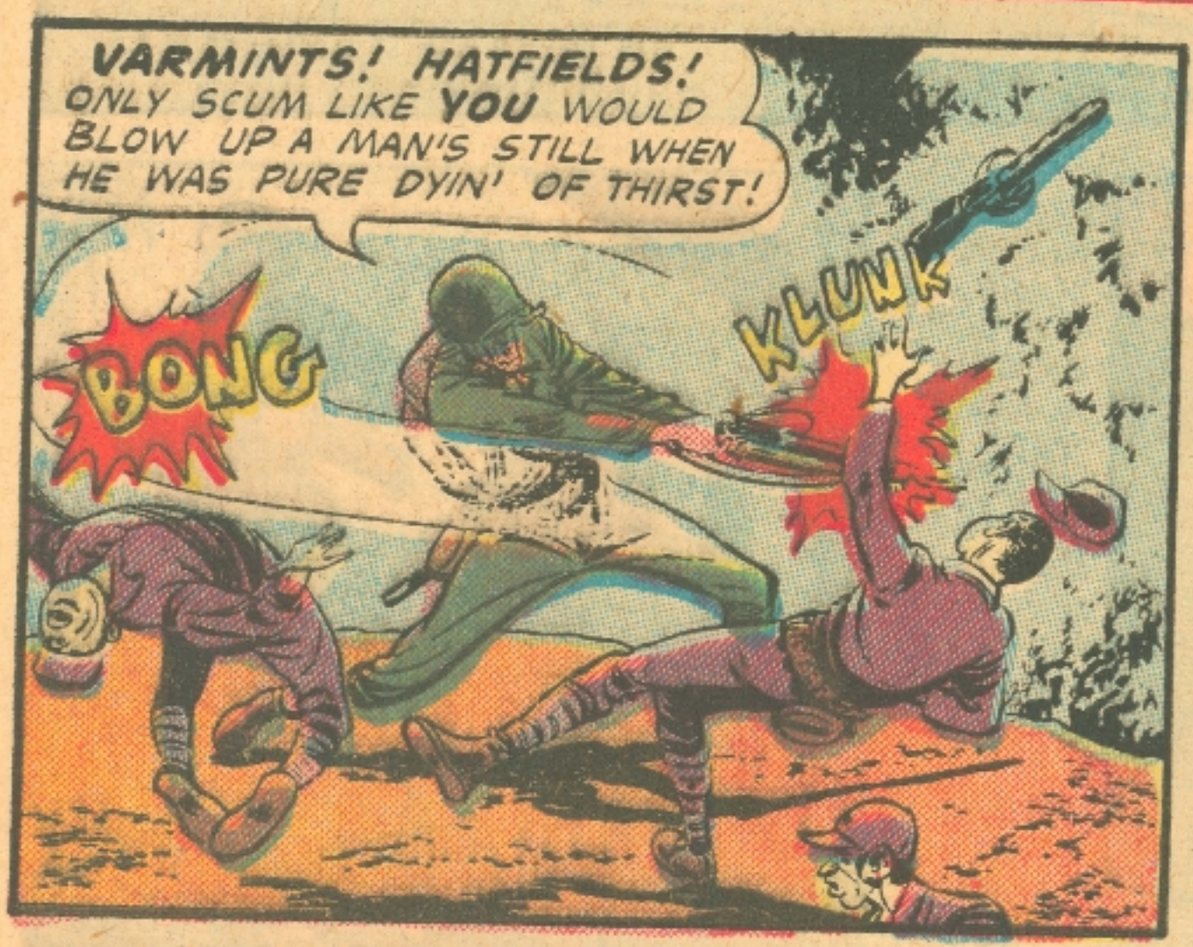
HOMER McCOY WAS SHELTERED IN THE LEE OF A SMALL HILL DURING MUCH OF THE FIGHTING...
LET THEM REVENOOERS FIGHT! I GOT OTHER THINGS ON MY MIND! HUH... LOOKS LIKE I GOTTA GET SOME WATER!

AS McCOY STEPPED AWAY, A RED GRENADE LOBBED LAZILY THROUGH THE AIR...

BAAAA-BAAMMM!

THEM REDS! NOW I KNOW WHO THEY ARE— THEY'RE HATFIELDS! IF'N THERE'S ANYBODY A McCOY HATES WORSE'N THE REVENOOERS —IT'S THEM HATFIELDS!

HOMER McCOY FELL ON THE REDS WITH THE SAVAGE FEROCITY OF A FEUDING MOUNTAINEER...
HEY! GET A LOAD OF McCOY!
HE LOOKS LIKE HE'S GONE NUTS!


VARMINTS! HATFIELDS! ONLY SCUM LIKE YOU WOULD BLOW UP A MAN'S STILL WHEN HE WAS PURE DYIN' OF THIRST!
BONG
KLUNK

COME ON, YOU REVENOOERS! WE GOT THESE HATFIELDS ON THE RUN!

AND SO HOMER McCOY BECAME A MEMBER OF ABLE COMPANY FOR THE FIRST TIME...
HOMER, WE'RE GOIN' TO SWIPE A BIG COPPER TUB FOR YOU!
BOYS, I'LL MAKE YOU-ALL BETTER LIKKER THAN GRAN'PA EVER DREAMED OF!

ON THE BATTLEFIELD...
SERGEANT, WHAT IN THE WORLD ARE YOU DOING OUT THERE?
LOST SOMETHING TODAY, SIR—ONE OF MY WAR SOUVENIRS... AHHH, HERE'S ANOTHER ONE!

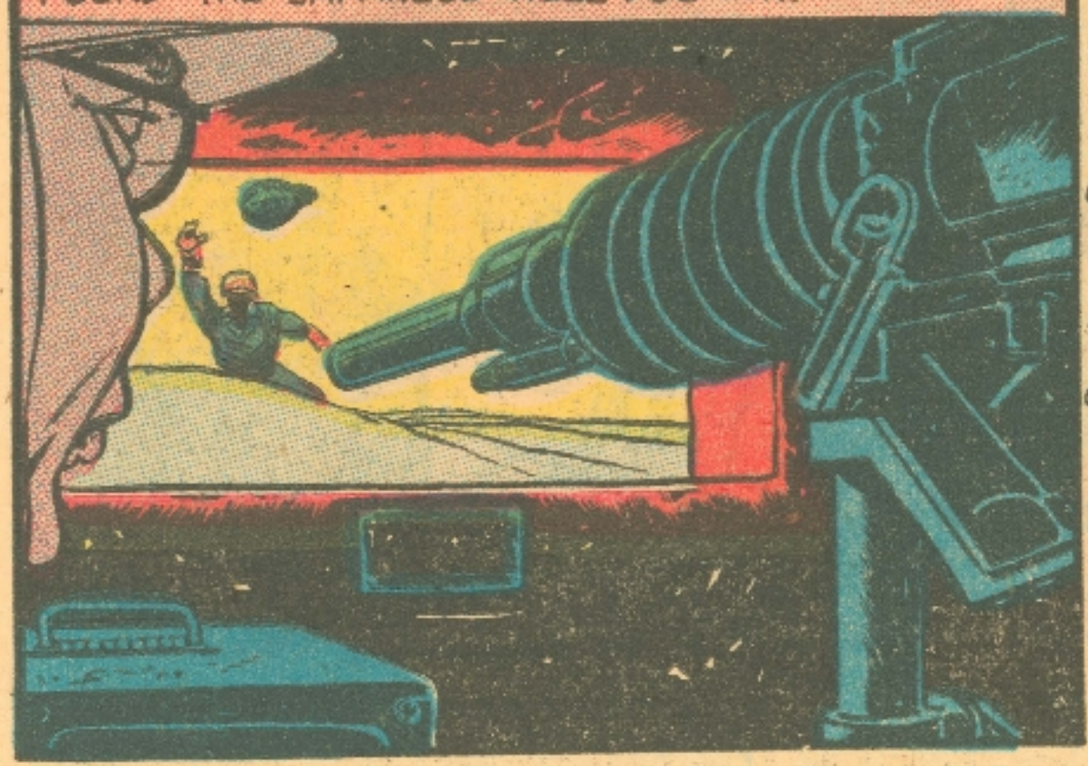
I SAID I'D GIVE A WAR SOUVENIR TO SNAP McCOY OUT OF IT! WELL, I TOSSED MY RED GRENADE SOUVENIR ON HIS STILL! SO—TO KEEP HIM FROM SUSPECTING ME AND NOT THOSE HATFIELD REDS—I HAD TO HAVE ONE TO REPLACE IT!
THE END

THE JAPANESE COMMANDER HAD SAID THAT A MILLION MEN COULD NOT TAKE TARAWA IN A HUNDRED YEARS, SO WELL WAS IT FORTIFIED. BUT ONE REINFORCED DIVISION OF MARINES TOOK IT **IN THREE DAYS**, IN WHAT WAS UNDOUBTEDLY, INCH FOR INCH, MINUTE FOR MINUTE...

THE BLOODIEST BATTLE IN HISTORY!

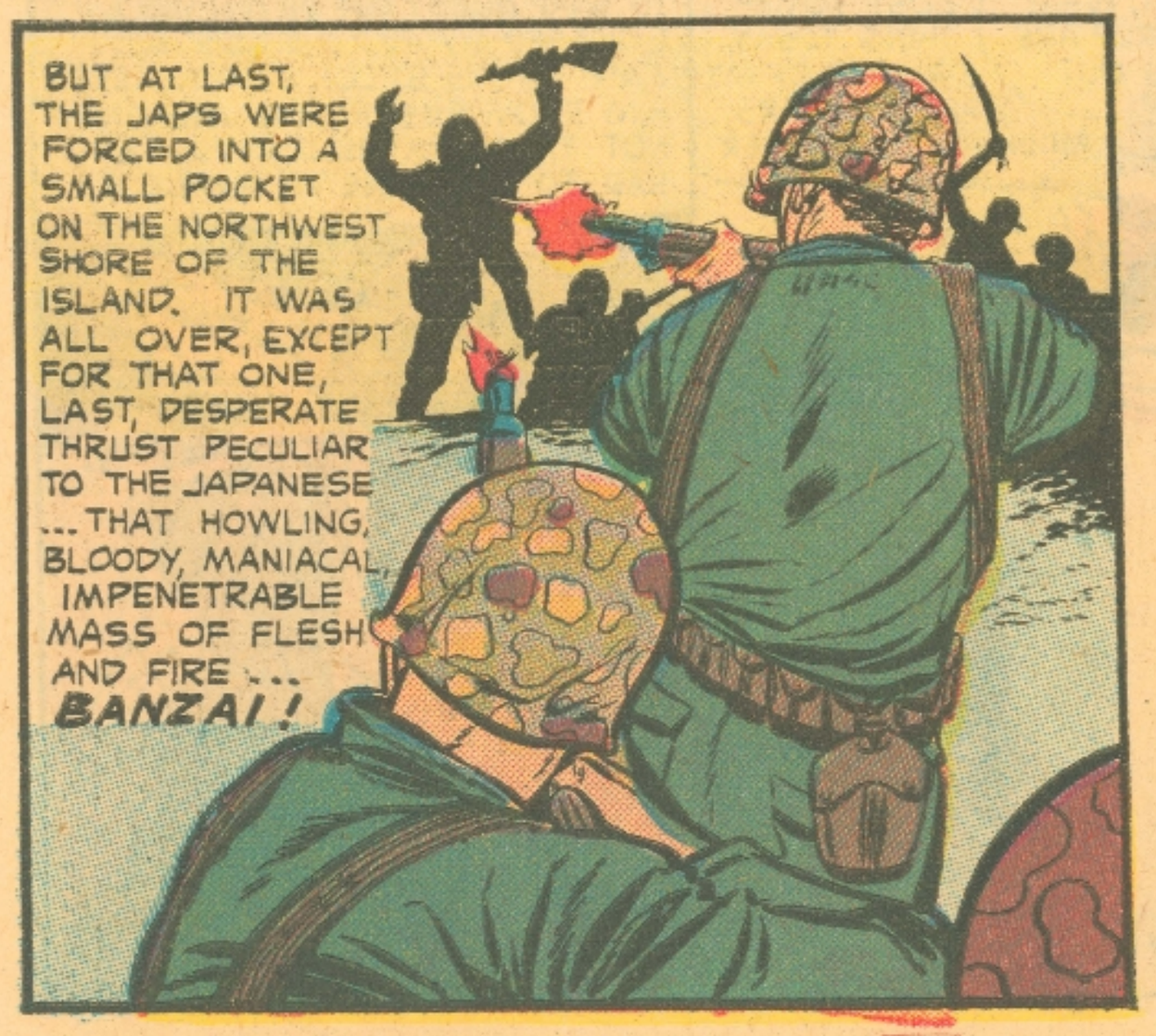
FOR, BESIDES 4000 CRACK JAPANESE IMPERIAL MARINES AND ARTILLERY AND INSTALLATIONS THE LIKE OF WHICH THE U.S. TROOPS HAD NEVER SEEN, TARAWA WAS PROTECTED BY ONE OF THE FINEST NATURAL DEFENSES IN THE PACIFIC WITH ITS RUGGED TERRAIN AND ALMOST IMPASSABLE CORAL REEF SEVEN HUNDRED YARDS OFF SHORE...

THE MARINES WHO DID MANAGE TO MAKE SHORE AFTER THE ALMOST DISASTROUS LANDING ATTEMPT, FOUND THE JAPANESE WELL DUG-IN...

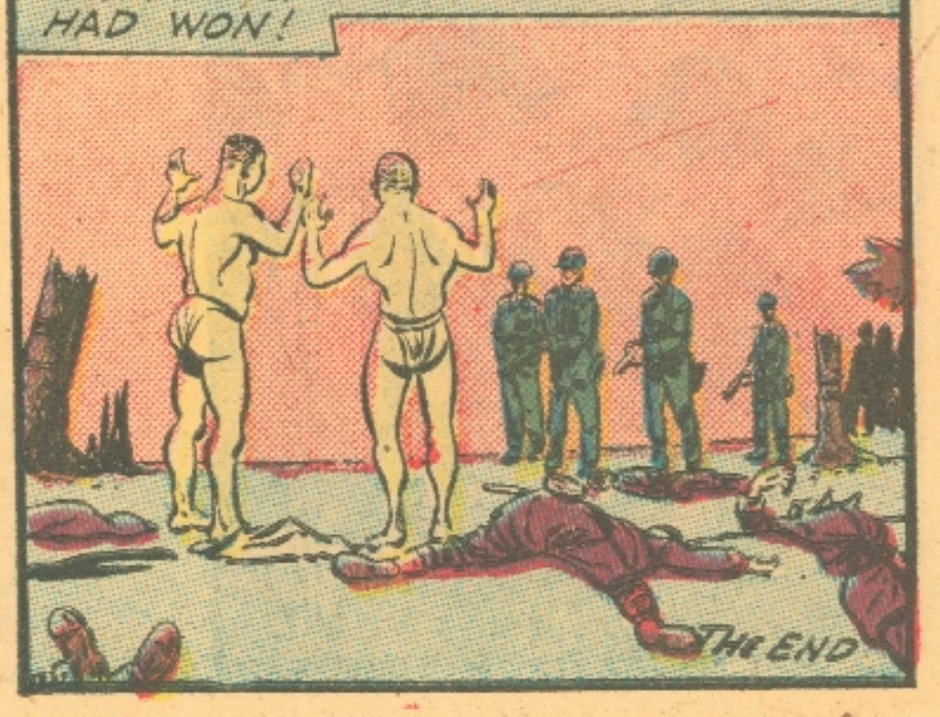


PROGRESS WAS SLOW AND MARKED BY AN ALARMING RATE OF CASUALTIES. AS THE MARINES ADVANCED, THEY WERE CONSTANTLY HARASSED BY INFILTRATION AND FLANKING MANEUVERS.

BUT AT LAST, THE JAPS WERE FORCED INTO A SMALL POCKET ON THE NORTHWEST SHORE OF THE ISLAND. IT WAS ALL OVER, EXCEPT FOR THAT ONE, LAST, DESPERATE THRUST PECULIAR TO THE JAPANESE ...THAT HOWLING, BLOODY, MANIACAL, IMPENETRABLE MASS OF FLESH AND FIRE ... ***BANZAI!***



ON D-PLUS-3, NOV. 23, 1943, TARAWA WAS SECURED. THE COST: 3,056 AMERICAN CASUALTIES, 4,000 JAPANESE DEAD, 146 PRISONERS. COSTLY, YES. BUT THIS WAS THE FIRST STEP IN THE DRIVE ON TOKYO, THE FIRST REAL TEST OF AMERICAN TROOPS AGAINST A STRONGLY FORTIFIED JAP POSITION ... AND *WE HAD WON!*



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EDDIE MAGILL WAS A DISPLACED MUSICIAN. HE HAD BEEN YANKED FROM A CHICAGO NITE SPOT — WHERE HE USED TO "CUT DOWN" WITH HIS "HAMBONE" NIGHT AFTER NIGHT — THRUST INTO KHAKI AND A HELMET — AND DROPPED INTO THE KOREAN MUD! BUT EDDIE MAGILL WAS TO DISCOVER THAT PLAYING A TUNE ON HIS TRUMPET, AND PLAYING A TUNE ON A BAR WAS NOT SO DIFFERENT! ESPECIALLY WHEN HE FOUND HIMSELF IN THE MIDDLE OF A —

BOOGIE WOOGIE BATTLE

MAYBE IT'S NO "GOBSTICK" — BUT I SURE CAN "SEND" 'EM WITH THIS THING!

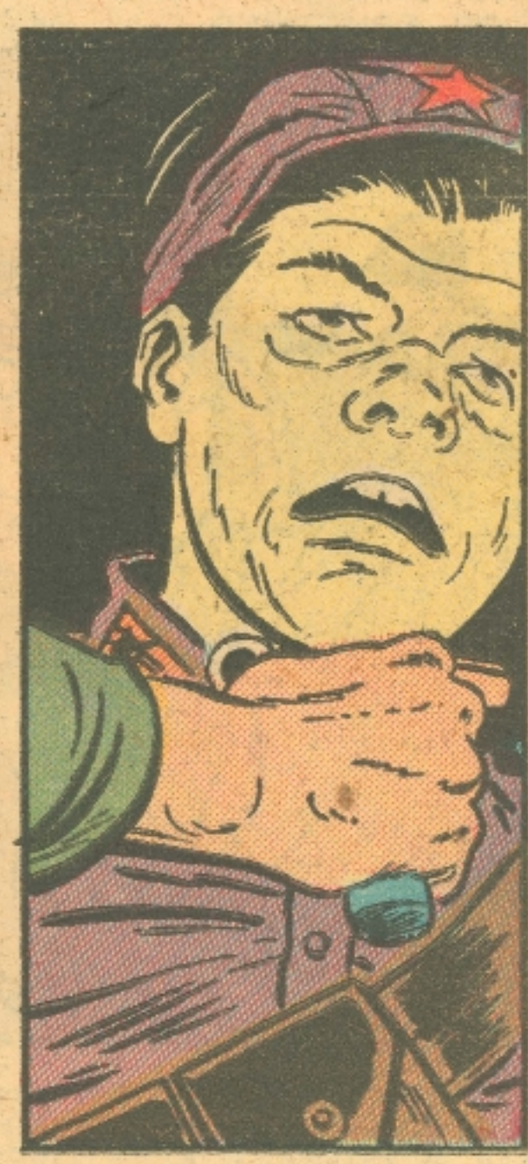
WHUMP-WHUMP-WHUMP...

FRANK BOLLE

Yiiiii! THAT WAS—CLOSE! MACHINE GUN BULLETS MISSED ME — BUT SAWED MY GUN IN HALF!

YOU YELLOW-FACED BABBOONS! YOU AREN'T GETTING ANOTHER CHANCE TO USE ME AS A TARGET!

MEN BACK FROM THE BLOODY BATTLEFIELDS OFTEN TELL OF THE MAD HATE THAT SEIZES THEM IN COMBAT. IT IS A WILD, CRAZY THING THAT HURLS THEM FORWARD, KNOWING ONLY ONE THOUGHT— KILL! KILL! KILL!
THEY PULLED ME OUT OF MITCH MALONEY'S BAND TO KILL YOU PUNKS! SINCE I'M HERE, THAT'S JUST WHAT I'M GOING TO DO!



KILL! THAT'S WHY I'M HERE! NOT TO PLAY MUSIC! TO—KILL!

KILL! KILL! KILL!

EDDIE! SNAP OUT OF IT! THAT GUY'S BEEN DEAD FOR MINUTES!
HUH? YEAH... GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT, SARGE! KIND OF LOST MY HEAD THERE...

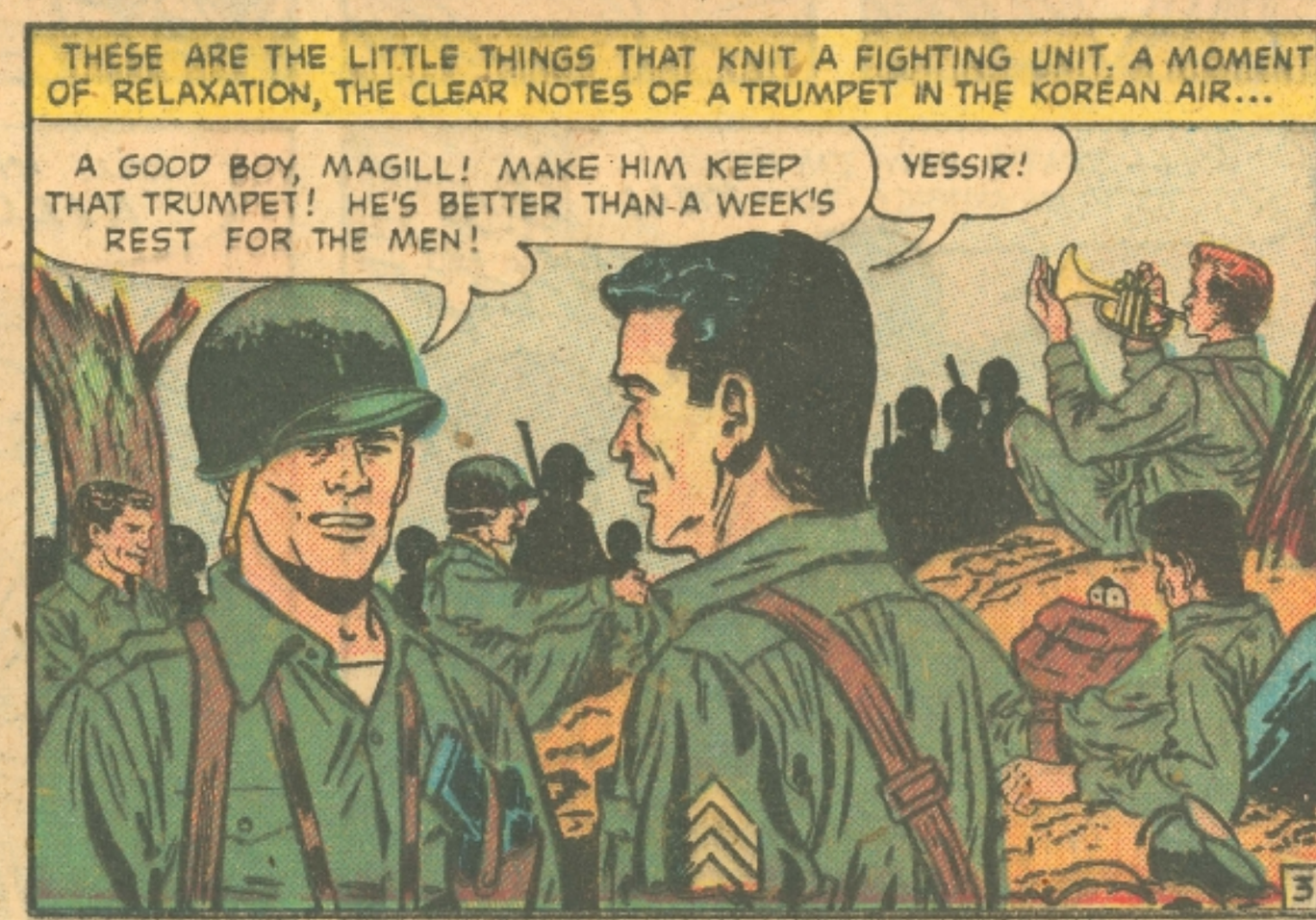
ALL RIGHT, YOU HEROES! TAKE TEN!
TIRED! SO TIRED I CAN SLEEP WHERE I FALL...

HUH! I WOULD HAVE TO LAND ON A ROCK... OR SOMETHING LIKE IT...
USMC

YEEEEOOOWWW! HEY, FELLAS— LOOK! A REAL LIVE HONEST-TO-GOSH "FRYING-PAN"!

WITH SHAKING, TREMBLING HANDS, EDDIE MAGILL— HIS TIREDNESS FORGOTTEN—CLEANED THE TRUMPET LOVINGLY...
YOU FELLAS SIT BACK AND LISTEN! I'M GOING TO TREAT YOU TO A SELECTION OF THE BEST POP TUNES YOU EVER HEARD...

AND SOON, THE SOFT MUTED TONES OF A TRUMPET ROSE OVER THE BREAK AREA AS GRINNING G.I'S. SAT BACK AND DREAMED OF HOME...
TARA— TA-TA TA- TARA...


THESE ARE THE LITTLE THINGS THAT KNIT A FIGHTING UNIT. A MOMENT OF RELAXATION, THE CLEAR NOTES OF A TRUMPET IN THE KOREAN AIR...
A GOOD BOY, MAGILL! MAKE HIM KEEP THAT TRUMPET! HE'S BETTER THAN-A WEEK'S REST FOR THE MEN!
YESSIR!

BUT REST PERIODS END, AND SOON—
MOVE UP! MOVE UP! ON THE DOUBLE! WE GOT WORK TO DO!

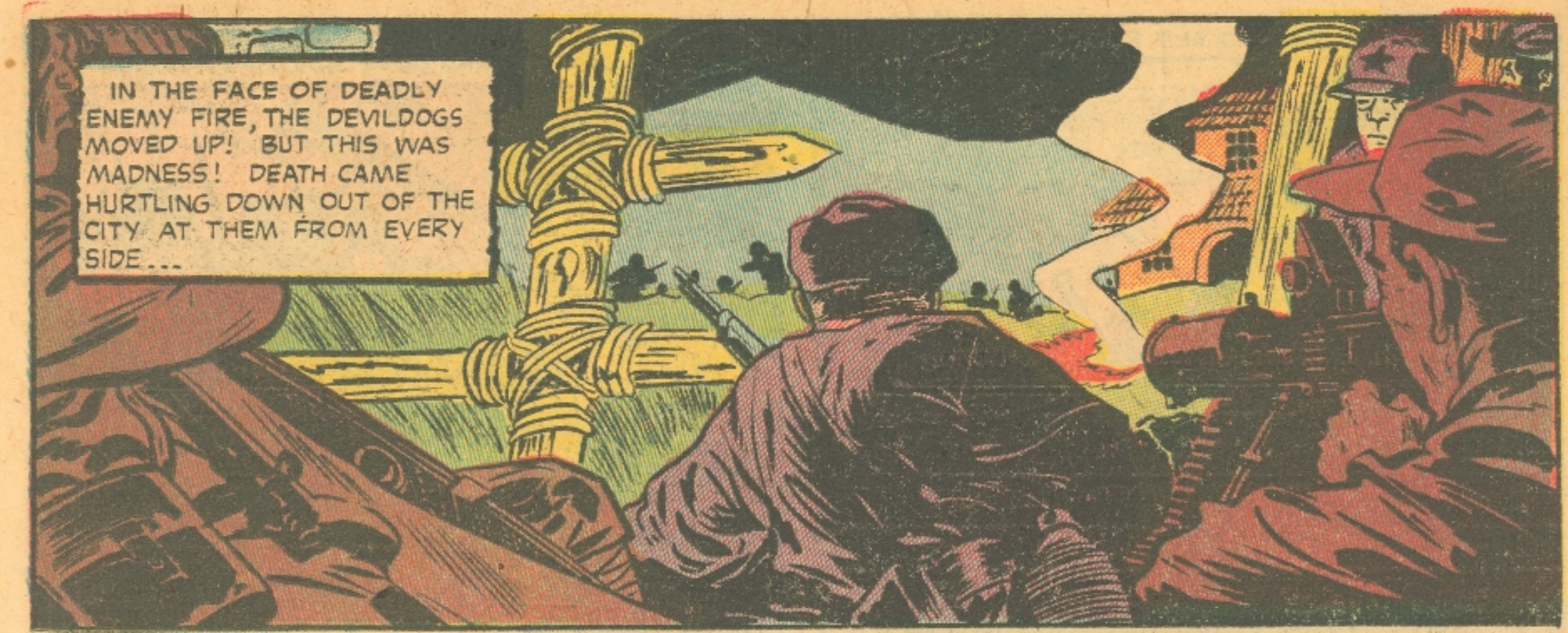
THE MARINES MOVED THROUGH WATER RED WITH ENEMY BLOOD, AND THE GRIM HAIL OF LASHING BULLETS...

THEY CLOSED IN WITH BAYONETS FLASHING CRIMSON—

AGAIN AND AGAIN, WHENEVER A BREAK CAME, EDDIE AND HIS TRUMPET BROUGHT SMILES TO THE FACES OF THE MARINES...

AND THEN THE ORDERS CAME: TAKE KOW-DONG! ... ADVANCE PATROLS SCOUTED IT...
THERE IT IS, SARGE! TARGET FOR ATTACK— KOW-DONG!
IT'S LOUSY WITH TRUCKS AND AMMO AND TANKS! A STEPPIN'-OFF PLACE FOR THE REDS! WE GOT TO TAKE IT—AND IT'S GOT MORE MACHINE GUN NESTS GUARDING IT THAN A CENTIPEDE HAS LEGS!

AT DAWN, THE MARINES MOVED FORWARD! SNUG AND SECURE IN SAND-BAG SHELTERED DUGOUTS, RED GUNNERS WAITED FOR THEM...

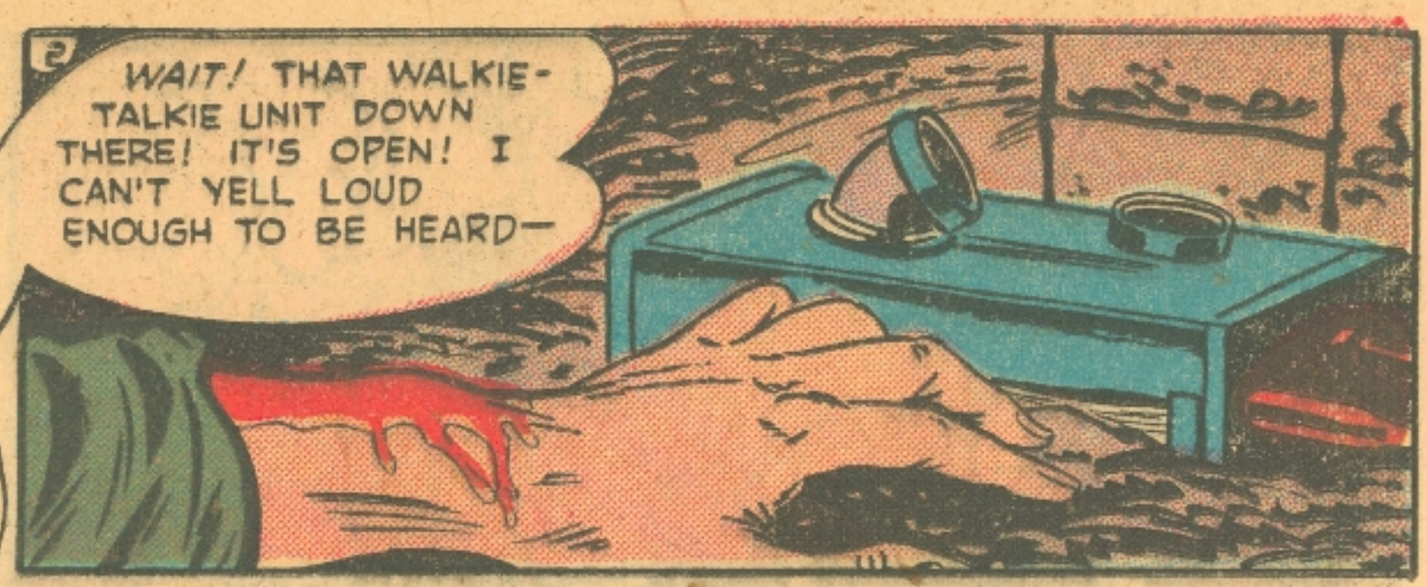

IN THE FACE OF DEADLY ENEMY FIRE, THE DEVILDOGS MOVED UP! BUT THIS WAS MADNESS! DEATH CAME HURTLING DOWN OUT OF THE CITY AT THEM FROM EVERY SIDE...

FALL BACK!! FALL BACK!!!

THE MARINES OF ABLE COMPANY PULLED OUT—ALL BUT ONE...
GOT THREE RED RATS IN A CORNER!

AS THE LAST RED DIED UNDER HIS SWISHING RIFLE, REALIZATION CAME TO EDDIE MAGILL—HE STOOD ALONE IN AN ENEMY CITY...!
I'M—ALL ALONE! THE BOYS HAVE PULLED BACK! THE REDS WILL SPOT ME ANY SECOND NOW! HERE ENDS THE CAREER OF EDDIE MAGILL, TRUMPET-PLAYER...!

1
HUH! WISH I COULD TELL COMMAND QUARTERS WHERE I AM! WITH THIS VIEW I COULD SPOT THEIR ARTILLERY FIRE — AND WIPE OUT EVERY ONE OF THOSE MACHINE GUN NESTS!


2
WAIT! THAT WALKIE-TALKIE UNIT DOWN THERE! IT'S OPEN! I CAN'T YELL LOUD ENOUGH TO BE HEARD—

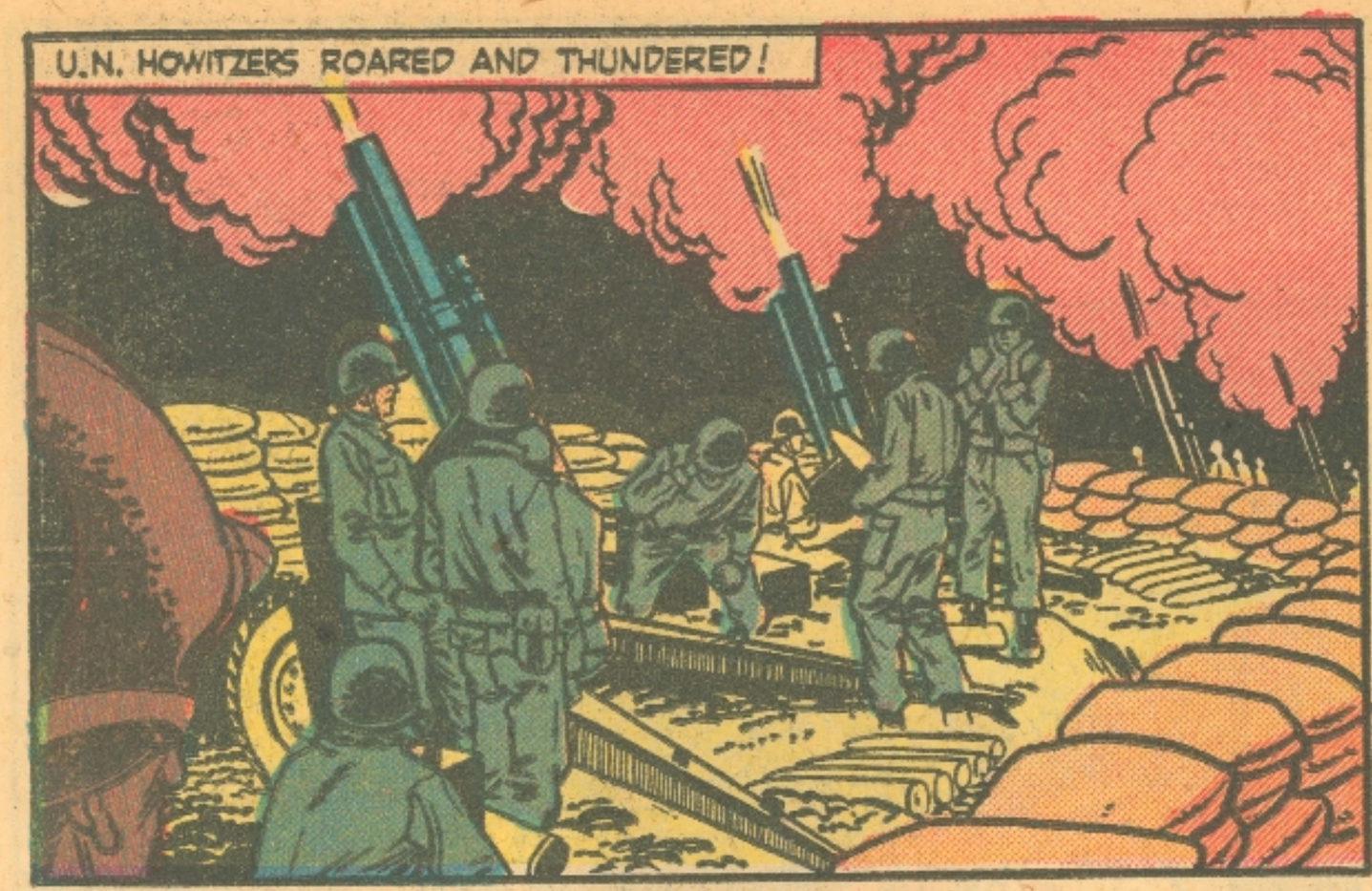
3
BUT I SURE CAN PLAY THE BOYS A FEW TUNES! THE WALKIE-TALKIE CAN PICK UP THE SHRILL NOTES OF THE TRUMPET, WHERE IT WOULDN'T CATCH MY VOICE...!

AT COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, MOMENTS LATER...
4
I KEEP PICKING UP SOMEBODY PLAYING "WHITE CHRISTMAS" ON A TRUMPET, SIR!
WHAT?

5
NOW HE'S PLAYING "HOME SWEET HOME"...!
I DON'T GET IT! WAIT— HOME SWEET HOME! JUST A MINUTE!

6
THIS IS A MAP OF KOW-DONG! A WHITE BUILDING — OWNED BY SOMEONE NAMED KREE SMA! A FORMER ORPHANS' HOME IS OVER HERE...!

7
THAT TRUMPETER IS TELLING US THE LOCATION OF ENEMY GUN EMPLACEMENTS, I'LL BET! GET ME FIELD ARTILLERY—FAST!


U.N. HOWITZERS ROARED AND THUNDERED!

RED MACHINE GUN NESTS EXPLODED IN A FURY OF TORN FLESH AND BLASTED METAL!
KAA-POWWW!

ONE BY ONE, AS A LONE TRUMPET WAILED IN THE KOREAN AIR, THE RED EMPLACEMENTS WENT OUT OF EXISTENCE!
KA-BOOMMM!

ABLE COMPANY CAME IN TO KOW-DONG WARILY. THEIR BARS AND M-1S FINISHED THE ROUT...

BUT WHILE KOW-DONG FELL, A SADDENED GROUP OF ABLE COMPANY MARINES GATHERED AROUND THE BATTERED RUINS OF A BELL TOWER...
HE TOLD US WHERE THEY HAD THEIR SUICIDE SQUADS—BUT THE REDS GOT HIM...

HEY—LOOK! I'VE GONE BATTLE-CRAZY! THAT BELL IS MOVING!

YOU GUYS DIDN'T THINK I STAYED ON THAT TOWER AFTER I SIGNALLED TO HEAD-QUARTERS, DID YOU? WHEN THE BELL FELL, I CRAWLED UNDER IT! I'M NO DOPE!

PLAY SOFT AND EASY, EDDIE!
YEAH! SOME-THIN' NICE AND SWEET!
TARA-TA-TA-TA-TA-TARA...
THE END

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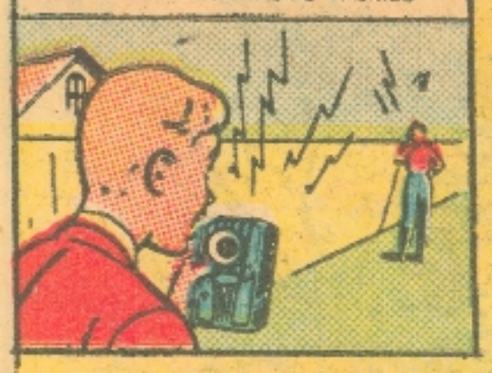

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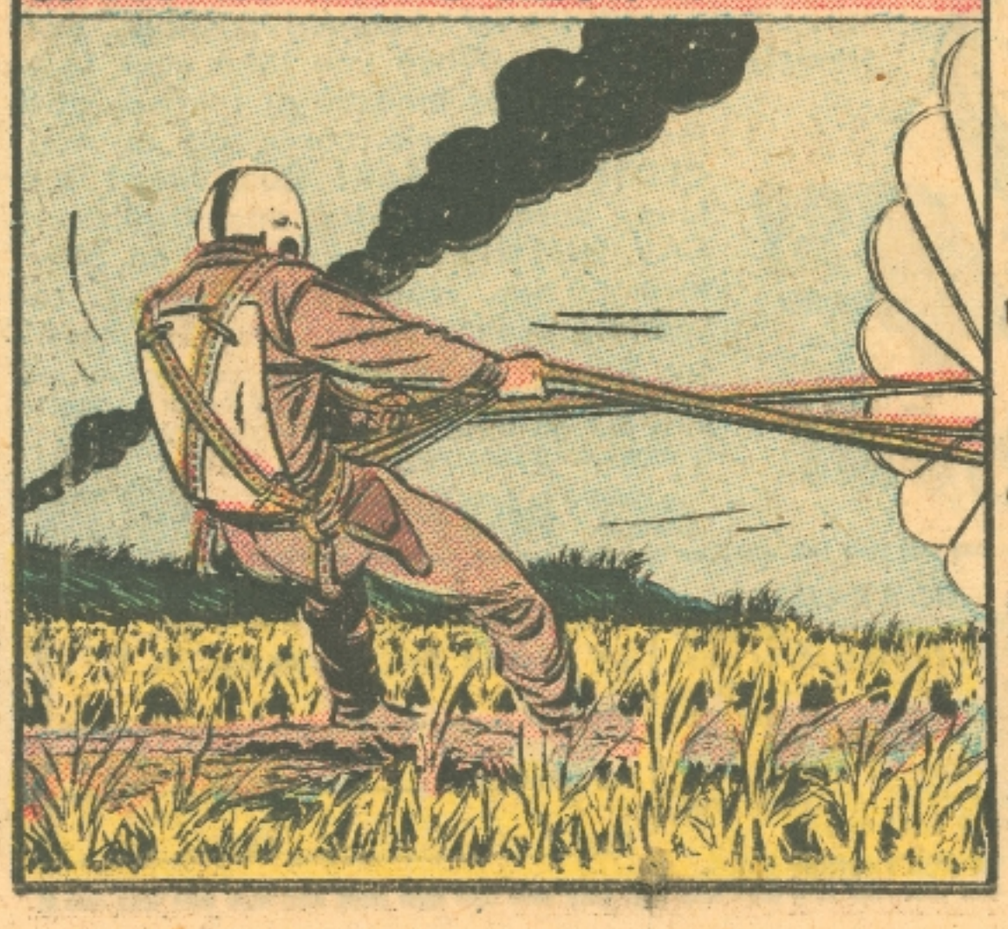
YOU LOOK AT THE PLANE STANDING THERE ON THE RUNWAY AND YOU WONDER—CAN YOU TRUST YOURSELF?... YOU WHO REMEMBER SO VIVIDLY THAT TERRIBLE—

Flight into Hell

...YOU REMEMBER THE BATTLE, THE HORRIBLE SHRIEK OF LEAD AS IT CUTS THROUGH YOUR FUSELAGE, THE FLAMES, THE HELPLESS FEELING AS YOU LOSE CONTROL OF THE PLANE, AND FINALLY, THAT LONG SUSPENSION IN AIR BEFORE YOU HIT THE GROUND...



YOU REMEMBER THE DAYS HIDING IN FIELDS AND THE NIGHTS WEAVING BETWEEN TRIGGER-HAPPY SENTRIES, STEALING FOOD, DRINKING STAGNANT WATER, AND LISTENING FOR EVERY SOUND THAT COULD MARK YOUR BETRAYAL UNTIL YOU REACHED THE AMERICAN LINES AGAIN...

BUT MOSTLY YOU REMEMBER THE VOICES...THE UNHEARD VOICES THAT RAN THROUGH YOUR MIND AS YOU WANDERED AROUND THE BASE AFTER RETURNING TO SAFETY...

IT WAS HIS FIRST TIME UP AND HE WAS SHOT DOWN BEFORE HE GOT A SINGLE BURST OUT OF HIS GUNS!

THERE WAS NOTHING WRONG WITH THE PLANE. I CHECKED IT BEFORE HE WENT UP AND IT WAS IN PERFECT ORDER. SO WERE HIS GUNS!

LOSSES LIKE THIS ARE NOT ONLY COSTLY; THEY'RE UNNECESSARY. OUR PILOTS ARE TRAINED TO PROTECT THEMSELVES AND THIS ONE OBVIOUSLY DIDN'T!

AMERICAN PILOTS EASY PREY! LIKE SHOOTING CRANES IN MARSH!

AND YOU REMEMBER YOUR DECISION. IT WASN'T AN EASY ONE TO MAKE, BUT IT WAS YOUR OWN DOING...AND YOU HAD TO GO THROUGH WITH IT.

I REALIZE YOUR CONCERN, JOE, BUT YOU AREN'T THE FIRST FLYER WHO'S BEEN ASSIGNED TO GROUND DUTY. AFTER ALL, YOU *WERE* SHOT DOWN AND THAT'S ENOUGH TO MAKE ANYONE LOSE HIS NERVE.

DON'T YOU THINK I KNOW WHAT THE GUYS ARE SAYING? DO YOU THINK I CAN PUT UP WITH THIS UNTIL THIS LOUSY WAR IS OVER? IF YOU'VE GOT ANY FEELINGS AT ALL, YOU'LL OKAY MY REQUEST AND TRANSFER ME TO A LINE COMPANY!

IF THAT'S THE WAY YOU FEEL ABOUT IT, JOE, I WON'T STAND IN YOUR WAY. YOU'LL HAVE YOUR ORDERS IN A FEW DAYS!

THANK YOU, SIR! I'M SURE I'LL BE A BETTER MAN...NOT ONLY FOR THE MARINE CORPS BUT FOR MYSELF.

YOU DIDN'T KNOW HOW THOSE WORDS WOULD COME BACK TO HAUNT YOU! YOU THOUGHT YOU HAD WIPED THE SLATE CLEAN AS YOU SLOUGHED ALONG WITH THE FOOT SOLDIERS. IT SEEMED SO EASY AT FIRST.

GENTLEMEN, WE'VE TAKEN THIS STRIP WITHOUT FIRING A SHOT! THE JOB NOW IS TO HOLD IT. OBVIOUSLY, THE COMMIES SUCKED US IN HERE AND THE ONLY WAY TO COUNTER THEIR STRATEGY IS BY HANGING ON UNTIL HELP ARRIVES.

YOU ALL KNOW YOUR ASSIGNMENTS. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THEY BE CARRIED OUT TO THE LETTER. IF YOU DO THIS, WE'VE WON ONE OF THE MAJOR ASSIGNMENTS OF THE WAR. I EXPECT YOU WILL. DISMISSED.

THIS IS IT, SERGEANT. THE OLD MAN SAYS WE'VE GOT TO HOLD THIS POSITION AT ANY COST.
IT ISN'T GOING TO BE EASY, SIR. THE COMMIES ARE STARTING TO MASS FOR AN ATTACK ALREADY, AND FROM THE LOOKS OF THINGS, WE'LL GET THE BRUNT OF IT.

THE NIGHT WENT ON PEACEFULLY ENOUGH, BUT TOWARD DAWN...
HERE THEY COME! AND IT'S JUST AS I THOUGHT —THEIR MAIN FORCE WILL HIT US HEAD ON!
ALL RIGHT, MEN! GET READY FOR IT!

THEY'RE FALLING BACK, SIR! THEY'RE TRYING TO CONSOLIDATE THEIR LINES!
GOOD! THAT'LL GIVE US A BREATHER! TELL THE MEN TO HOLD FAST. THERE WILL BE NO ADVANCE!

IT WAS A COSTLY VICTORY, SERGEANT. ONE MORE LIKE IT AND I DOUBT IF THERE WILL BE ANY LEFT TO TELL OF IT!
WE'RE IN A BAD POSITION, SIR. IT'S ALMOST UNDEFENDABLE. NOW IF WE WERE ON THAT RIDGE THERE...

YOU REMEMBER LOOKING AT THE BODIES OF AMERICAN BOYS STREWN AROUND YOU, SEEING THE COMMIES MASSING FOR ANOTHER ATTACK, HEARING THE GUNNY'S WORDS ECHOING THROUGH YOUR BRAIN— *"IF WE WERE ONLY ON THAT RIDGE..."* IT SEEMED SO LOGICAL.

TELL THE MEN TO WITHDRAW TO THE RIDGE! TAKE AS MANY OF THE WOUNDED AS POSSIBLE AND TELL THEM TO DIG IN.

BUT THE OLD MAN'S ORDERS...!

IF WE STAY HERE, WE CAN'T HOLD THROUGH ANOTHER ATTACK ANYWAY. WE CAN DEFEND THE ROAD FROM THE RIDGE. THOSE ARE MY ORDERS, SERGEANT! SEE THAT THEY'RE CARRIED OUT!

YES, SIR!

IT ALL SEEMED SO LOGICAL, AND YET...

WHY DON'T YOU *FACE* IT? YOU'RE NOT THINKING OF THE MEN... YOU'RE THINKING OF YOURSELF. YOU'RE AFRAID TO TELL THEM THEY HAVE TO WITHSTAND ANOTHER ATTACK LIKE THAT! YOU'RE A COWARD... A COWARD! **A COWARD!!!!**

POSITIONS ARE ALL SECURED, SIR!

GOOD! WE'LL BE ABLE TO HOLD OUT INDEFINITELY FROM HERE. NOW IF WE CAN...

HERE THEY COME! **LOOK OUT!**

BAM BAM BAM! BAM

KNOCK THAT MACHINE GUN OUT! CLOSE THAT GAP OVER THERE! DON'T LET THEM...!

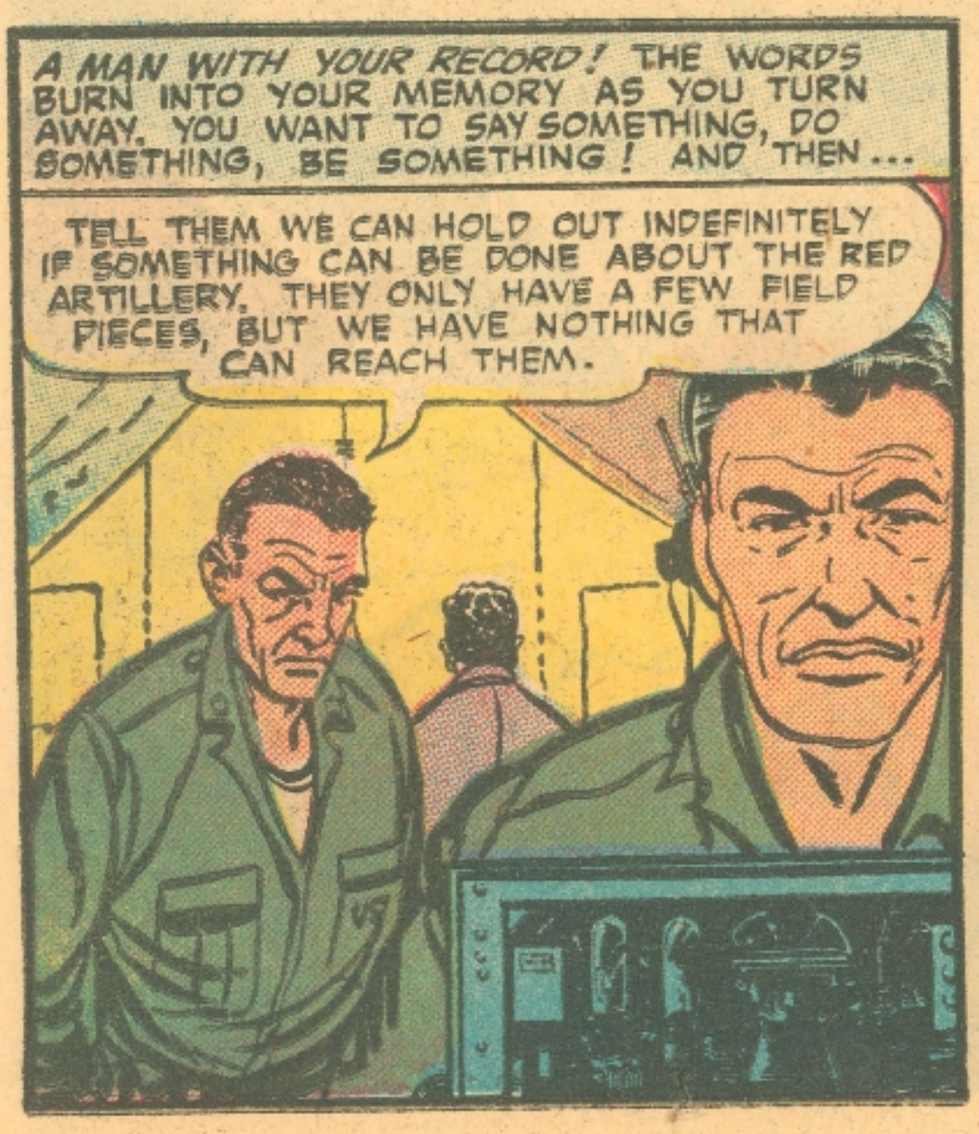
LIEUTENANT, LOOK! THERE'S ANOTHER CONTINGENT ON THE FLANK!

TO YOUR RIGHT! GET THEM! TURN THAT GUN AROUND AND GET THEM!

LIEUTENANT! THOSE ARE OUR OWN MEN!!!
BAP BRAP RAPTAT TAT

LATER...
YOU WERE ORDERED TO HOLD THAT POSITION AND BAKER COMPANY EXPECTED TO FIND YOU THERE WHEN THEY ARRIVED. YOUR DELIBERATE DISOBEDIENCE COST US COUNTLESS LIVES AND NOW OUR POSITION IS ALMOST HOPELESS.

THE COMMIES ARE NOW ABLE TO BRING UP ARTILLERY REINFORCEMENTS AND WE ARE EXPOSED ON ALL SIDES. YOU COULD BE COURT-MARTIALED FOR THIS... BUT I DON'T SUPPOSE IT'S ENTIRELY YOUR FAULT. A MAN WITH YOUR RECORD SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN GIVEN SUCH AN ASSIGNMENT!

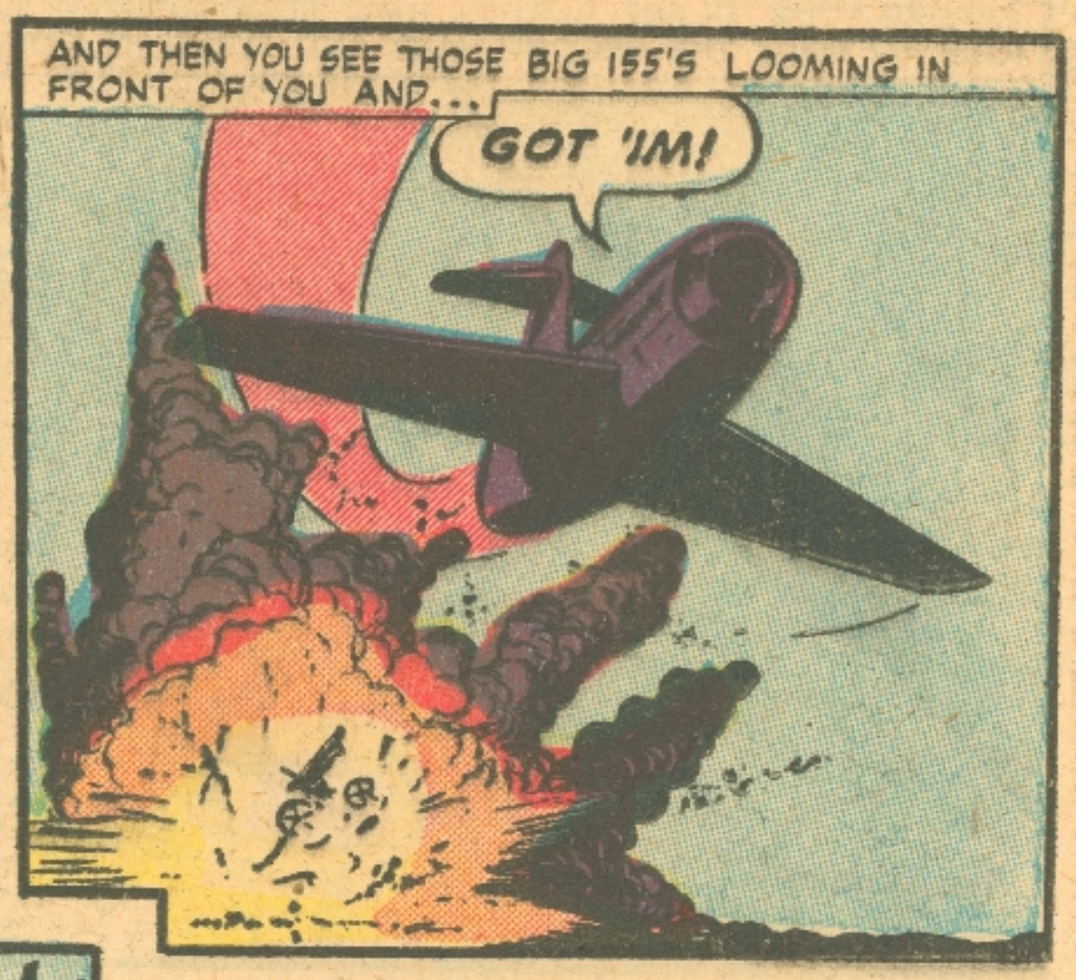

A MAN WITH YOUR RECORD! THE WORDS BURN INTO YOUR MEMORY AS YOU TURN AWAY. YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING, DO SOMETHING, BE SOMETHING! AND THEN...
TELL THEM WE CAN HOLD OUT INDEFINITELY IF SOMETHING CAN BE DONE ABOUT THE RED ARTILLERY. THEY ONLY HAVE A FEW FIELD PIECES, BUT WE HAVE NOTHING THAT CAN REACH THEM.

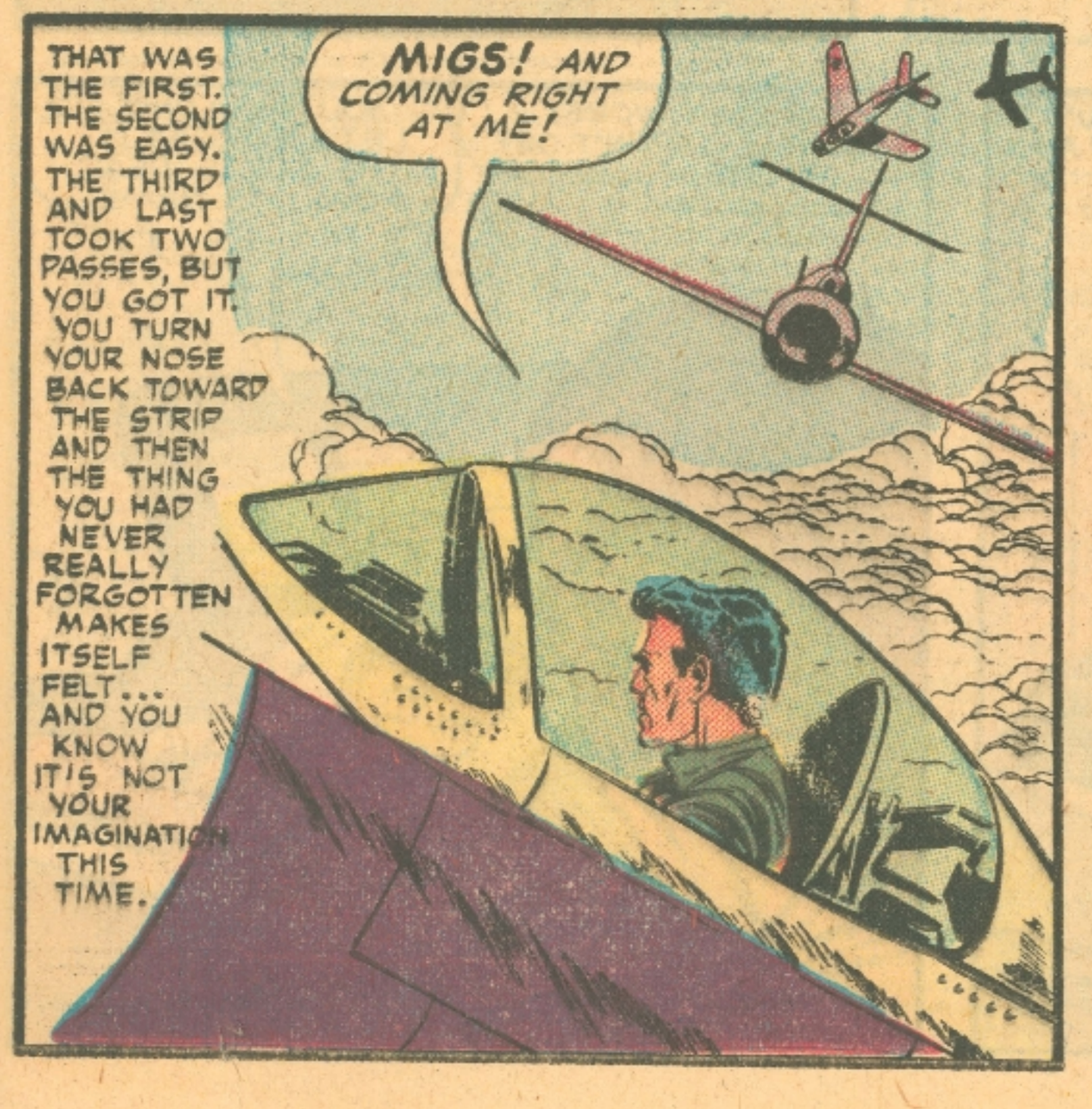
YES, YOU REMEMBER EVERYTHING AS YOU STAND LOOKING AT THE ABANDONED COMMIE PLANE. THE PLANE COULD REACH THOSE FIELD-PIECES — AND YOU WERE ONCE A PILOT. REMEMBER?
BUT DO YOU HAVE THE COURAGE? CAN YOU STEP INSIDE THAT THING AND DO THE THINGS YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE ABLE TO DO? CAN YOU CONQUER YOUR FEARS? OR ARE YOU GOING TO BE A COWARD ALL YOUR LIFE?

SUDDENLY YOU FIND YOURSELF SITTING IN THE PLANE.
THERE'S GOT TO BE A STARTER BUTTON HERE SOMEWHERE. LET'S TRY THIS LITTLE DOOHICKEY...

THE SHOCK OF THE PLANE ROARING DOWN THE RUNWAY HITS YOU LIKE COLD WATER IN YOUR FACE. NOW YOU'RE REALLY SCARED.
NOW IF I CAN ONLY REACH THAT COMMIE ARTILLERY BEFORE...

BEFORE WHAT? YOU'VE GOT TO GET THAT THOUGHT OUT OF YOUR MIND! THERE CAN'T BE MIGS UP HERE! THERE CAN'T BE!

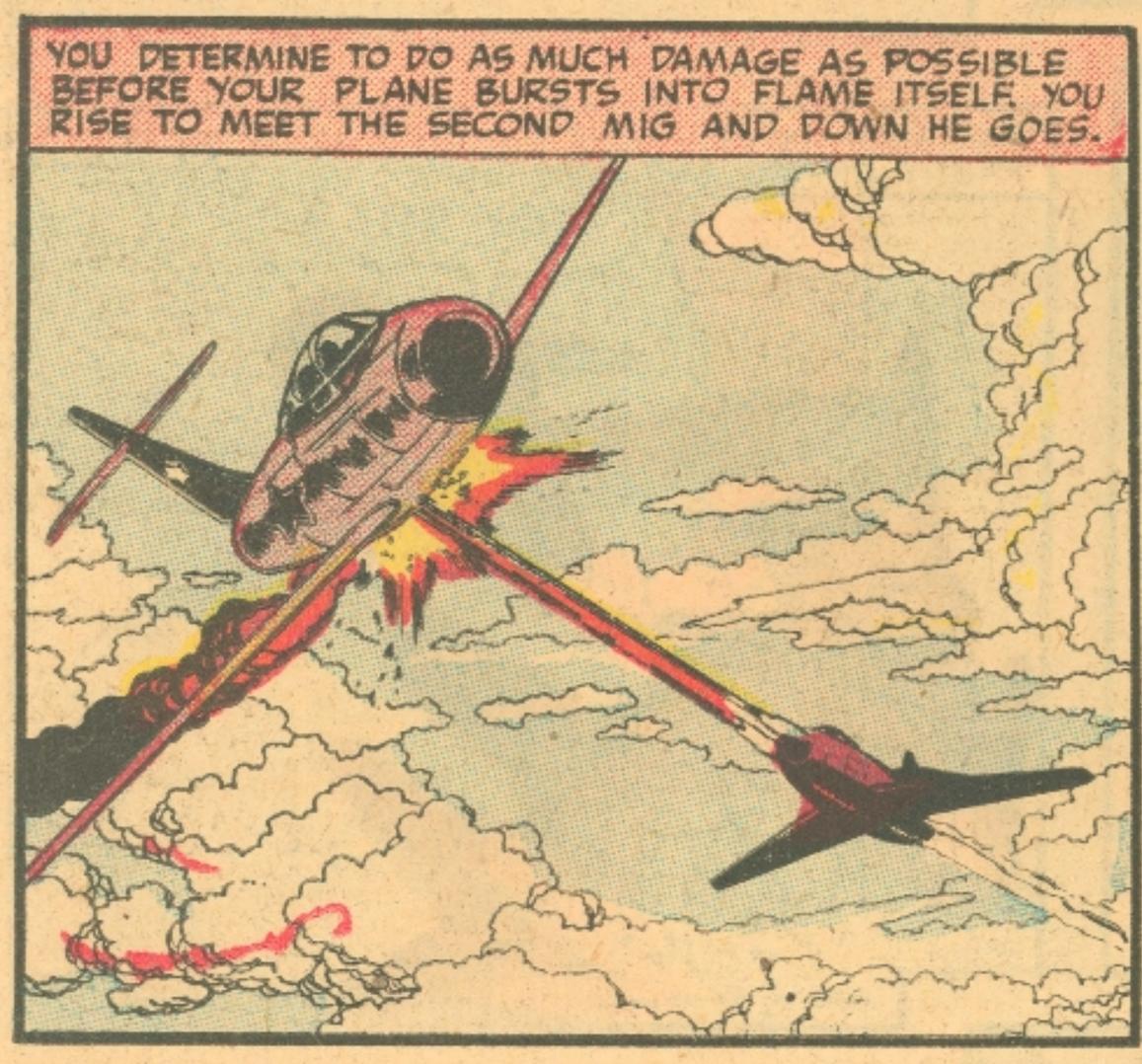

AND THEN YOU SEE THOSE BIG 155'S LOOMING IN FRONT OF YOU AND...
GOT 'IM!

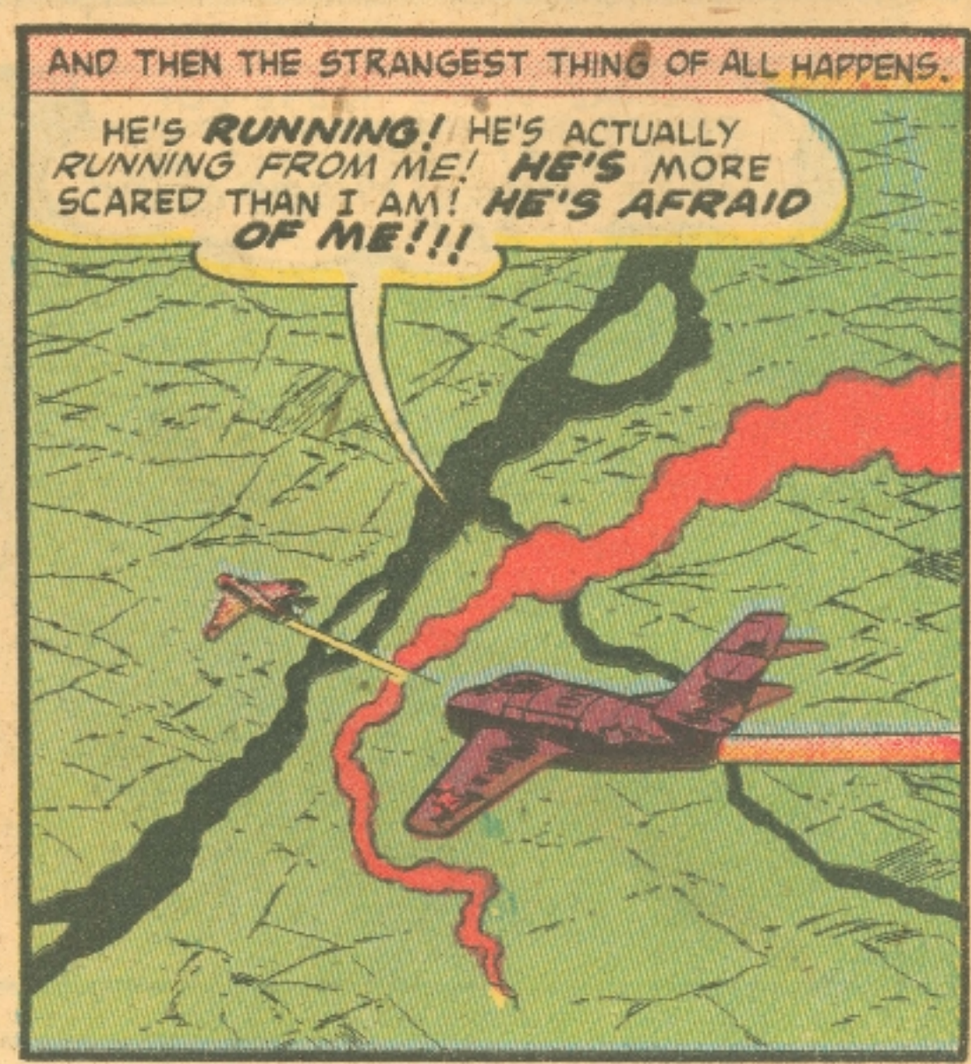

THAT WAS THE FIRST. THE SECOND WAS EASY. THE THIRD AND LAST TOOK TWO PASSES, BUT YOU GOT IT. YOU TURN YOUR NOSE BACK TOWARD THE STRIP AND THEN THE THING YOU HAD NEVER REALLY FORGOTTEN MAKES ITSELF FELT... AND YOU KNOW IT'S NOT YOUR IMAGINATION THIS TIME.
MIGS! AND COMING RIGHT AT ME!

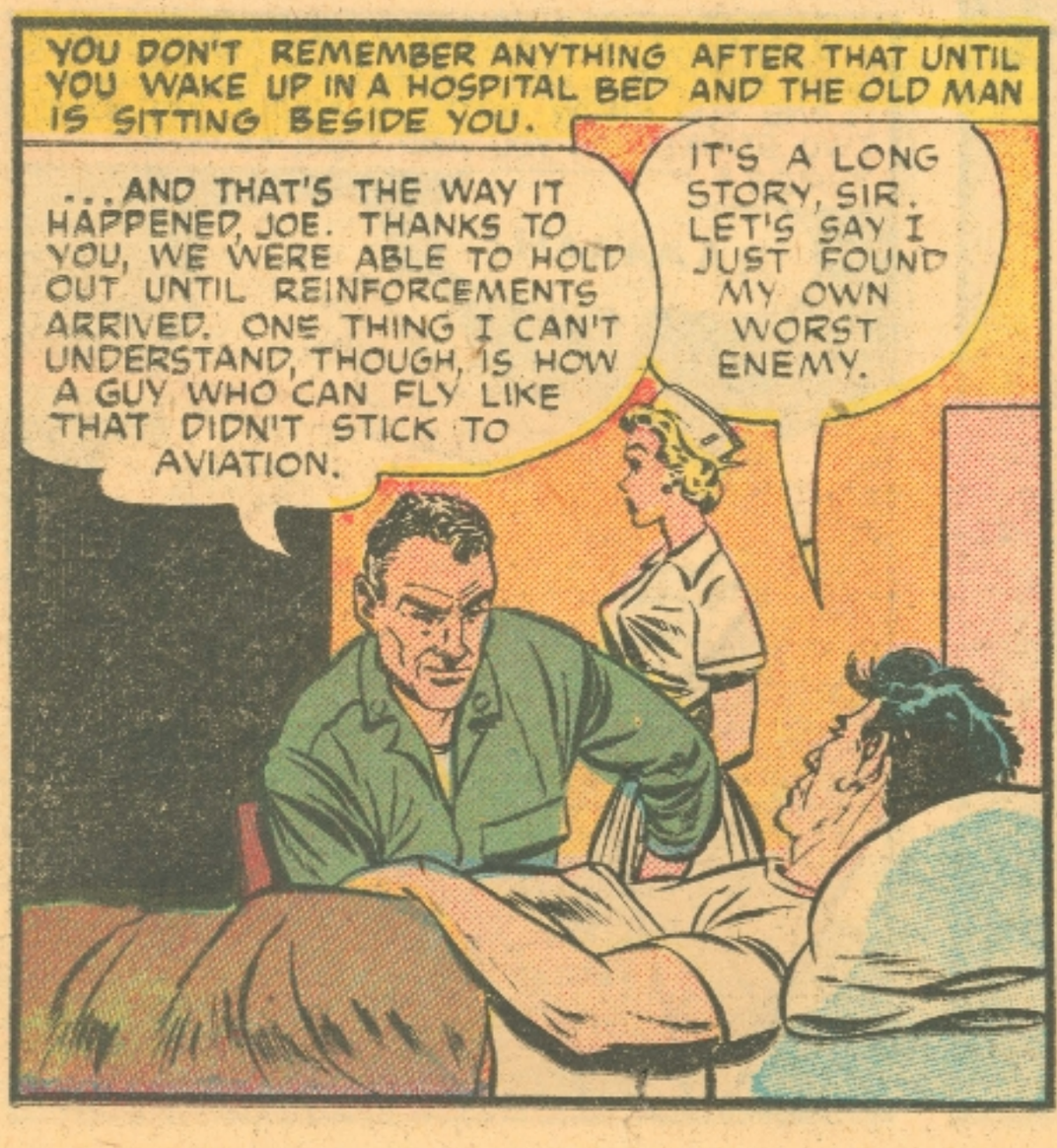
IT'S ALMOST LIKE A RE-RUN OF A MOVIE YOU'VE SEEN BEFORE... ONLY THIS TIME YOU'RE IN A PLANE YOU KNOW NOTHING ABOUT. YOU HAVE TWO STRIKES ON YOU AND THEN—STRIKE THREE!
AAAAAAH!

BUT THIS TIME YOU HAVEN'T GOT A *PARACHUTE!* THERE IS NO ESCAPE! YOU HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE TO DEATH! ALL RIGHT, IF YOU'RE GOING TO DIE, THE LEAST YOU CAN DO IS DIE LIKE A MAN! YOU'VE CERTAINLY NEVER LIVED LIKE ONE!

YOU GET THE ATTACKING MIG IN THE CROSSHAIRS AND PRESS THE FIRING BUTTONS AND THEN, ALTHOUGH YOU CAN HARDLY BELIEVE IT...
I GOT HIM! I ACTUALLY GOT HIM! I CAN DO IT! **I CAN! I CAN!!!**


YOU DETERMINE TO DO AS MUCH DAMAGE AS POSSIBLE BEFORE YOUR PLANE BURSTS INTO FLAME ITSELF. YOU RISE TO MEET THE SECOND MIG AND DOWN HE GOES.


AND THEN THE STRANGEST THING OF ALL HAPPENS.
HE'S **RUNNING!** HE'S ACTUALLY RUNNING FROM ME! **HE'S** MORE SCARED THAN I AM! **HE'S AFRAID OF ME!!!**


YOU DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING AFTER THAT UNTIL YOU WAKE UP IN A HOSPITAL BED AND THE OLD MAN IS SITTING BESIDE YOU.
...AND THAT'S THE WAY IT HAPPENED, JOE. THANKS TO YOU, WE WERE ABLE TO HOLD OUT UNTIL REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED. ONE THING I CAN'T UNDERSTAND, THOUGH, IS HOW A GUY WHO CAN FLY LIKE THAT DIDN'T STICK TO AVIATION.
IT'S A LONG STORY, SIR. LET'S SAY I JUST FOUND MY OWN WORST ENEMY.

YOUR OWN WORST ENEMY? I DON'T GET IT, JOE.
YOU WOULDN'T, SIR. LET'S FORGET IT. THE GUY IS DEAD NOW... HIS NAME WAS JOE.
THE END

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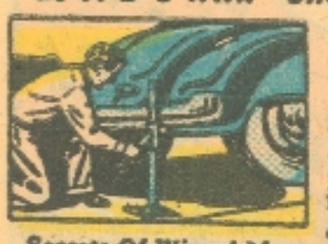

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THEN THE AGONIZING WAIT FOR ANOTHER ...OR FOR THE WELCOME SOUND OF A SINGLE PISTOL SHOT... THE "ALL-CLEAR"...
YOU GYRENES CERTAINLY LOOK GREAT DOWN THERE! ONE LOUSY LITTLE BOMB AND YOU SCATTER LIKE MOTHER CAREY'S CHICKENS! IT'S A GOOD THING WE DIDN'T HAVE GUYS LIKE YOU IN THE WAR!

HITLER'S SS TROOPS WOULD HAVE MADE MINCEMEAT OUT OF CHICKEN-LIVERED GUYS LIKE YOU! WELL, WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT OUT OF A POLICE-ACTION CONTINGENT?
WHY, YOU...!

THAT DIRTY CRUMB IS HERE ONLY TWO WEEKS AND HE THINKS HE'S SEEN WAR! HE WAS HOME WHEN THE REAL FIGHTING WAS GOING ON, AND NOW HE HAS THE NERVE...!
TAKE IT EASY, TURK! JUST WAIT TILL TONIGHT! THIS GUY IS GONNA BE SO SURPRISED...!

HEY, LISTEN, SPEAKIN' OF TONIGHT, WHY DON'T ONE OF YOU GUYS DO THE DIRTY WORK INSTEAD OF ME?
BECAUSE YOU GOT THE WATCH, THAT'S WHY? AND YOU BETTER HANDLE YOUR PART OF THE DEAL PROPERLY, WILLY, OR ELSE...!

I DON'T KNOW WHY WE EVEN HAVE TO WALK POST HERE! THOSE COMMIES DON'T ACT LIKE THEY'RE MAD AT ANYONE. NOW WHEN I WAS IN GERMANY...

NOW THERE'S WHERE THEY HAD SECURITY POSTS! IF YOU DON'T WATCH YOUR STEP, WHY, HEY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING THERE, WILLY?

NOTHIN', GEORGE, NOTHIN'! I WAS JUST LOOKIN' AT YOUR RIFLE WHEN...
NOTHIN', EH? THEN HOW COME THE CARTRIDGE IS MISSING FROM THE CHAMBER? WHAT'S GOING ON HERE ANYWAY?

LISTEN, YOU LITTLE PUNK, IF YOU DON'T START TALKING THEY'LL BE PICKING UP YOUR TEETH FROM HERE TO TOKYO! I WANT TO KNOW WHY YOU'RE TRYING TO UNLOAD MY GUN?
OKAY, GEORGE, OKAY, I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHING! I DIDN'T WANT TO DO THIS IN THE FIRST PLACE...

YOU SEE, THE BOYS ARE GETTING TIRED OF YOU SOUNDING OFF ABOUT WHAT AN EASY WAR THIS IS AND THEY'RE GOING TO SEE JUST HOW TOUGH YOU ARE. THEY'RE GOING TO STAGE A PHONEY INFILTRATION ATTACK ON OUR POST TONIGHT...

THEY'LL BE SHOWING UP ABOUT ELEVEN, DRESSED AS COMMIES, TO SEE IF YOU CAN TAKE IT. BUT THEY DON'T WANT ANYBODY GETTING HURT. THAT'S WHY THEY PICKED ME TO GET RID OF YOUR AMMUNITION.
SO THE BOYS ARE GONNA GIVE ME A WORKOUT, EH? OKAY, WILLY, YOU CAN SIGNAL THAT EVERYTHING IS SET!

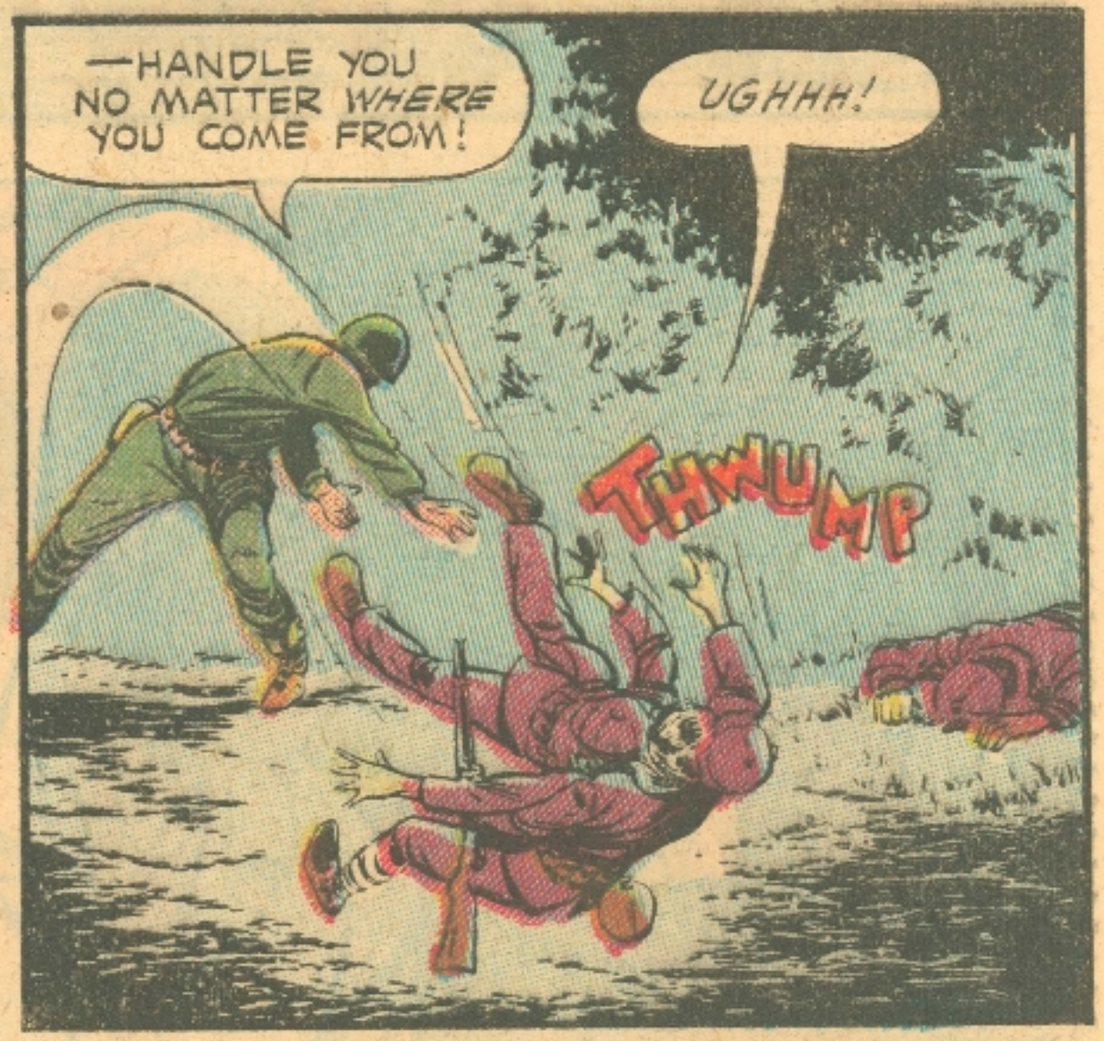
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO, GEORGE?
I'M GOING TO SHOW THESE LUNKHEADS HOW A REAL SOLDIER FIGHTS INFILTRATION! AND UNLESS YOU WANT A SAMPLE OF IT YOURSELF, YOU'D BETTER DO WHAT YOU'RE TOLD! NOW, COME ON, GIVE THE SIGNAL!

LATER...
LOOK, GEORGE, WHY DON'T YOU JUST LAUGH THIS WHOLE THING OFF? IT'S ONLY GOING TO BE TROUBLE IF YOU TRY TO...
SHHH! A TWIG JUST SNAPPED...!

WHO'S THERE?
OH MY...!

WHAT THE...?!?!!

SO! YOU'VE GOT TO SNEAK UP ON A GUY FROM BEHIND YET! ALL RIGHT, YOU PHONEY SO-AND-SOS! I'LL SHOW YOU THAT I CAN—


—HANDLE YOU NO MATTER WHERE YOU COME FROM!
UGHHH!
THWUMP

TRY THIS ONE FOR SIZE, YOU LILY-LIVERED— HEY!
SHWAK!
BLAM

SOOOOO! USING LIVE AMMUNITION! IF THAT AIN'T THE DIRTIEST, ROTTENEST, LOWDOWNEST TRICK I EVER HEARD! STRIP MY WEAPONS AND USE AMMUNITION YOURSELF! I WAS GOING TO TAKE IT EASY ON YOU GUYS BUT NOW...!

CORPORAL OF THE GUARD! RIFLE FIRE ON POST NUMBER FOUR!
HOLY CROW! THIS THING IS GETTIN' OUT OF HAND! IF THE O.D HEARS OF IT, WE'RE ALL DONE FOR!
SPLUT

HEY, FOR PETE'S SAKE, GEORGE, THE O.D. IS COMING! IF HE EVER FINDS OUT ABOUT THIS...!
THE O.D.? OH, MY ACHIN' BACK!

COME ON, HELP ME HIDE THESE GUYS IN HERE! THEY'RE THE ONES WHO'LL GET INTO TROUBLE... AND I WOULDN'T WANT THAT!

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE, ANYWAY?

WHO FIRED THAT SHOT ON THIS POST?
WELL, ER — YOU SEE, IT WAS THIS WAY! I THOUGHT I SAW A POLECAT IN THE BRUSH AND I-ER- WHAT SHOT, SIR?

THERE'S NO CARTRIDGE IN THE CHAMBER OF THIS RIFLE, YET IT HASN'T BEEN FIRED RECENTLY. JOHNSON, YOU'VE GOT A LOT OF EXPLAINING TO DO!
PLEASE, SIR, IT WASN'T HIS FAULT! I'LL TELL YOU EVERY-THING!

YOU SEE, SIR, A COUPLE OF US DECIDED THAT WE— TURK! WHAT ARE YOU DOING THERE? I MEAN— ER...

I THOUGHT YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO BE... WELL, WHAT ARE THOSE GUYS DOING THERE, THEN??

WE THOUGHT YOU WERE THESE GUYS... I MEAN, THESE GUYS WERE YOU...ER...
HEY! THESE GUYS ARE COMMIES ... THE REAL McCOY! AND LOOK AT THE SHAPE THEY'RE IN!

WOW, WHAT A BEATING! THREE COMMIES HE TOOK ON... AND WITHOUT NO AMMUNITION IN HIS RIFLE! HEY, THIS GUY IS ALL RIGHT, AFTER ALL!
AW, IT REALLY WASN'T NOTHIN'! WHY WHEN I WAS IN GERMANY WE OFTEN HAD....

WELL, HOW DO YOU LIKE THAT? HE FAINTED!

SOME WEEKS LATER...
SO YOU WERE IN GERMANY IN THE LAST WAR, EH? WELL, LET ME TELL YOU, BUDDY, IF YOU THINK THAT WAS A WAR, WAIT TILL YOU'RE HERE FOR A WHILE! WHY WORLD WAR II WAS CHILD'S PLAY COMPARED TO THIS PLACE. IT'S REALLY RUGGED HERE...!
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